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MAKES A STIRRING APPEAL TO THE GREAT CHRISTIAN

Endeavor Host for Assistance in the Overthrow of Race Prejudice, at the New Jersey State Christian Endeavor Convention, Asbury Park, N.J., Sept. 29, -30.

We are in favor of the Christian Endeavor Society because it enlists the sympathy and activity of the young people. How to reach the masses of our young people especially the educated ones, so as to enlist them in the active work of the church, was for years a serious problem with our colored churches. Whenever this class of our young people were asked to take an active part they would inform us (and I must confess in many instances not without reason) that our manner of conducting the regular weekly meetings and our method of holding revival services were antiquated, and therefore repelled them; notwithstanding they were anxious to engage in the work, they were unable to do so because of these hindrances.

The Christian Endeavor Society has solved that problem for us by proposing young people's meetings; and further, has taught the young people how to conduct their meetings successfully. Whenever our Christian Endeavor Societies are successfully operated—the pledge, the consecration meeting and the work of the committees insisted upon—such Societies bring about the needed reform in our churches. It does not take the older members long to discover the benefit of the new methods; they are rapidly learning that the methods of fifty years ago will not work successfully today, we are for the Christian Endeavor Society because it greatly aids us in the development of our church work.

We are in favor of the Christian Endeavor Society because it stands for the deepening of the spiritual life, and since it is composed of all evangelical churches it is better qualified to emphasize that principle.

We live in an age of looseness of morals in church and State; an age in which men call license liberty; an age in which Bible truth is so distorted as to make men believe that they can commit all manner of sin with impunity so long as they believe on Christ; that to accept the righteousness of Christ means to have none of their own. Men seem to forget that the object of Christ's coming into the world was to save men from their sins. The object of the whole plan of salvation is the complete restoration of mankind to the image of God.

Purity of life has ever been the theme of God's messengers. The patriarchs, prophets, apostles and reformers have all urged purity of heart. Moses in his farewell address to the children of Israel said: "And the Lord thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the seed of thy seed, to love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live." (Duet. 30, 6.)

Isaiah says: "Wash you make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil." (Is. 1, 16.)

Ezekiel says: "Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you." (Ezekiel 36, 25.)

John the Baptist came preaching the doctrine of repentance, the forsaking of all sin.

The Master in his sermon on the mount, said: "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." Again, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." And again, "If thy right eye offend thee pluck it out and cast it from thee; for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not thy whole body should be cast into hell. And if thy right hand offend thee cut it off and cast it from thee; for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish and not thy whole body should be cast into hell." Finally he said, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

Purity is one of the chief themes of the Pauline espistles. To the church at Rome Paul writes: "Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we that are dead to sin live any longer therein.

Again: "Let not sin reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members an instrument of unrighteousness unto sin; but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God."

To the church at Corinth he says: "Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye seperate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God."

To the church at Galatia he writes: "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh."

To the Ephesians he writes: "Put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. For ye were once darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord, walk as children of light; for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth; proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them."

To the church at Phillippi: "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded."

In his letter to the Colossians he says: "And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreprovable in his sight."

Again he says: "Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus."

To the Thessalonians he writes: "The very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

The call today is for Godly men and women,—whose lives are so pure that they can touch the lives of the impure and make them like unto themselves.

Purity of life is one of the indispensable requisites for effectual service.

The filling of the Holy Ghost comes after the pardoning of sin. It is well to remember that while Calvary stands for pardon, Pentecost stand for the filling of the Holy Ghost, which is the qualification for service. This has ever been the order.

Purity gives confidence; it lends wings to faith and prayer. Sin paralizes our spiritual efforts; it grieves the Holy Ghost, which is our power. The reason so many members of our churches are powerless is because of the lack of purity and the Holy Ghost. We will ever remain shorn of our strength while we live impure lives. Let all who have not done so heretofore, and all who have once lived in the favor of God but are now out of his favor, resolve from this hour to live lives of purity. In order to reach the highest point of spiritual developement complete consecration is required.

CHRISTIAN UNITY.

We are in favor of the Christian Endeavor Society because it stands as does no other organization in existence for Christian unity. If there is one thing above another that has weakened the Christian church in its work of soul-saving and developement of Christian character, it is the denominational strife which has been kept up in one form or another for years, but is now rapidly disappearing before the flood tide of Christian unity put in motion by the Christian Endeaver Society.

Our Lord in his memorable prayer recorded in the 17th chapter of John, prayed, "that they all (Christians) may be one; as Thou, Father art in me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that Thou hast sent me."

I do not believe that the unity prayed for in the foregoing by Christ Jesus is an external organization, but a spiritual unity of believers. An absolute external unity never was and never will be. The doctrinal difficulties which seperated Calvin and Arminius will perhaps ever exist. The main pillars which are to support the visible church are liberty of conscience and liberty of opinion. This is why the Christian Endeavor Society uses the term "Inter-Denominational."

The unity prayed for is a spiritual one. It is the being encompassed by the Trinity, and the dwelling in the unity of that Trinity of all believers. This complete oneness of believers with the Father Son and Holy Ghost, is the end of Christ's coming into the world.

I am of the opinion that so far as faith is concerned, the formula of faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed comes nearer than any to the unity of faith prayed for by Christ.

I also believe that the Master had in view the unity of affections of believers.

"Our sentiments, desires and affections are to be influenced, directed and controlled by a feeling of friendliness and good will: that the one all-pervading all-controlling and predominating spirit which disposes us to deal prudently, friendly, kindly and even magnanimously with each other at all times, and under whatever real or imaginary provocation, shall hold its ascendancy over every other feeling that would seek to antagonize it, with its banner joyfully thrown to the breeze, floating in trimph over all human selfishness, emblazoned with "Good will to men." However widely we may differ in opinions, our creeds, our views of church policy, our modes of administration; however diversified our gifts, graces and calling in life, whatever may be our denominational divergencies, we may be firmly and harmonously united in a spirit of fraternal love."

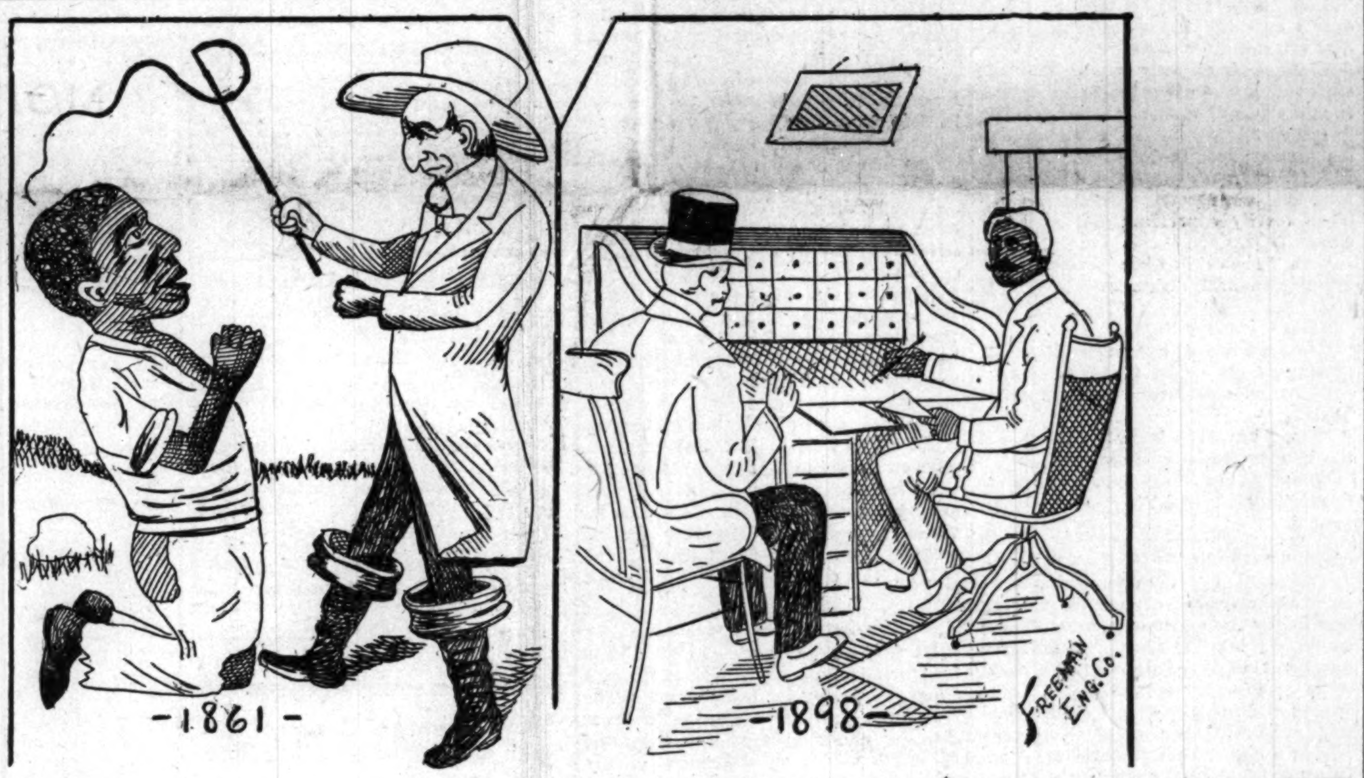
Again I believe our Savior in this prayer had in view a unity of purposeor concert of action in the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom on the part of of his followers. The one aim of all Christian churches is to make the world better and happier. It is to develop mankind from zero to complete spiritual manhood. All evangelical churches are struggling to present their worshipers holy and unblamable in the sight of God. And if they are not, they ought to be doing so.

INTER-RACIAL.

We are in favor of the Christian Endeavor Society because it is inter-racial. It is our lot to live amongst a people whose laws traditions and prejudices have been against us for centuries. Some people dislike us because we were once slaves, and have not been able in these few years of freedom to rid ourselves of the baneful effects of slavery; others are against us because of our color, notwithstanding some of us have only one sixteenth part of Negro blood in our veins; still others hate us simply because we exist and succeed in spite of all their efforts to "down" us.

If we enter a hotel, restaurant or place of amusement, we are told by the proprietor that he has no objection to accommodating us, but that certain guest object, hence we cannot be accommodated. In this case we are the victims of caste prejudice. In other words he refuses to accommodate us because he thinks it will injure his business. If a white man stops to hold a conversation with a colored friend on the street or in a public place, or invites him to his home as a guest, some of his white friends are indignant because he dares practice what he preaches. In this instance the white man becomes the victim of caste prejudice. We are hedged in on every side by prejudice. It is carried on in ad-infinitum.

A series of articles are being published in a Chambersburg paper by Rev. G. H. C. Hasskarl, D. C. L., pastor of the Second Luthern Church, Chambersburg, Pa., asserting that we (the colored poeple) are not human but beast; thatAdam and Eve were not our foreparents; that we were created prior to them, on the day that the beasts of field the were created; that we went into the Ark as monkeys, and by a system of evolution through the ages have developed into the semblance of men. He deprecates all efforts to develop the Negro morally and spiritually because he has no soul. He declares all this in the face of the fact that we look like men, talk like men, walk like men, think like men, worship like men, have a human anatomical construction, and possess all the attributes of a human being.



How ridiculous! A man to make such a statement would not only have to be color blind but more—prejudice blind.

The amusing part of the affair is however, that the learned Doctor is in a controversy with a learned beast, (Dr. B. J. Bolding, of the A. M. E. Zion Church, and a graduate of one of the finest universities of our country) who is making it pretty lively for him; and he (Bolding) has the better of the argument as far as logic is concerned. If the ability to think, to will, etc., is the line of demarkation between the man and the beast, then I am sure in this instance the beast is not black.

Surrounded as we are by prejudice we naturally turn to the good, fair-minded, right thinking, white people who are in position to help us, for the sympathy and encouragement we so much need. The Christian Endeavor Society being the greatest exponent of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man extant, it is our duty to become members of it.

The Christian Endeavor Society being an international organization, can never draw the color line; if it did, it would have to exclude not only the colored people of America, but India, Japan, China, Africa,—indeed all the dark races throughout the universe; and how this would circumscribe the Christian Endeavor work.

We look to the Christian Endeavor Society to aid us if not directly, indirectly through its good government clubs, etc., in our fight against lynchings. One hundred and sixty-seven lynchings occurred last year, and about the same ratio up to this time in the present year. Some of us thought that when the war with Spain commenced these cruel outrages would cease, and that the bloodthirsty assassins would find another outlet for their bitterness in depredations on the cruel Spaniards. But alas! we were mistaken; there was a lull in the lynching business, but it was the lull before the storm. This is evident by the report of the cruel lynching last month at Clarendon, Ark., of the following persons:—William Sanders, Dennis Perkins, Manse Castle, Rilla Weaver, and Susan Jacobs, who were assassinated because they were cognizant of the fact that a white woman had planned the murder of her husband. These colored persons were all lynched, while she, the chief agent of the nefarious business, was taken toprison and would have been given an opportunity to defend herself had she not committed suicide.

There are occassional cases in which white men are lynched, but every one knows that what is called lynch law is peculiarly for colored people, and for them only. In the land where color is the badge of crime, it is an easy matter to charge and convict a colored man of crime and hurry him off to a lynching post by those who are prejudiced against him. White men take] the advantage of this disposition of the people of this country: they black their faces in order to commit crime and wash off the hated color to escape punishment.

Governor Atkinson, of Georgia, in his last annual message to the Legislature of that State, has the following to say concerning lynching: "To adopt lynch law is to put the life of every man in the power of any woman who for any reason might desire his death. I feel more deeply upon this question because from the best information I can secure I believe that during my administration there have been in this State several men lynched who were not guilty of the crime with which they were charged."

The ministers, teachers and other leaders of our race deeply deplore the crimes that are committed by our people. There are no persons who are louder in their denunciations of crime than the colored preachers. We are as anxious as any people for the punishment of the guilty, regardless of color. All we ask for our race is a fair trial before a legal tribunal. This is our right, since the law guarantees it to us; but alas! in some sections how perverted is the law. Our plea is for law and order.

We look to the Christian Endeavor Society for encouragement through its good government clubs in our fight against the convict lease system, which is slavery in another form. This convict lease system is one by which a State leases out convicts by contract for labor on public works, construction of railroads, etc., and in order to supply such need colored men and boys are often convicted for the slightest offences. As a general thing the men who have charge of such laborers are not only filled with prejudice, but are brutal by nature. A few years ago an investigating committee was appointed by the Governor of Arkansas to investigate the system in that State. The following is a part of the report, as publiched in the Little Rock, Arkansas Gazette, and republished in the Richmond Planet:

"The investigating committee found 147 men at the camp, 120 of whom worked in the mines. All of the convicts, black and white, sick and well, slept alongside each other on filthy beds of straw and in one room, from which a sickening stench arose. Many were covered with vermin. Only one blanket was allowed each man, and they had suffered during cold weather. Some had gone bare-footed all winter. They found that between sixty and seventy convicts had been buried in a marshy place not far from the stockade, which looked more like a rooting place for hogs. Several of the bodies were exhumed and examined. The following will show

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MAJORS' MELANGE.

The fool killer is rampant, there was a time when the law, tardy though justice sometimes is, could give a man a chance to live, but the result of the lynching craze down South has begun to show its beastial nature across the Mason and Dixon line, and among the long-haired men and the short-haired women. It has long been known that lynching Negroes upon flimsy pretexts would create a thirst for human gore, and it has gone beyond the aim and object of making cowards of Negroes, it has placed the shackles of fear, and cowardice upon the caucassion. So that now the least attempt at self-protection, and especially when the other fellow gets the worst of it in a disorderly bout, lynch law rises up like a fearful demon, and God help the defender. Where it is to stop is a perplexity that new made philosophers puzzle over.

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If getting guns is the panacea for lynching ills, why in God's name don't every Negro in the country spend his money in buying up a magazine, instead of feeding a lot of lean, lank, lazy preachers, whose righteousness consist in doing as they please on the Q. T.? Pardon, there are good, yes eminent divines of the cloth, but there is such a vast number who lead a duel life, that just men grow into contempt.

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Insinuations of fitness for the bishopric is rapidly becoming the topic of conversation among the laity, while men whose records are blacker than sixteen midnights are forcing themselves along the highway of earthly promotion. This class never think of asking God to make them bishops indeed, they make themselves popular with the machine, the clique, the ring, and while they ask the prayers of all praying Christians (for effect) they canvass all night to straighten out a few obstinate delegates who have the sense to inquire where do they come in? There is an all-seeing eye.

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Shams break into our racial ranks without the least notice. Lecturers on Cuba and Porto Rico, will soon invade this old hemisphere of ours, and Negro imposters whose only costume consists in cast away uniforms will have the nerve to stump the country on pretended furloughs, when in truth they have never been five hundred miles off the gulf of Mexico, and could not tell a reverse from a carry arms. It is nice indeed to contemplate the progress the Negro is making if you are in a dark room, and your imaginative mood is favorable, but when you try to see it by the solar spectrum or the electric light, the hugest thing to gaze at is a fool bug trying to carry away the globe that gives reflections. The Negro has proven that he can think, invent, produce, fight, construct, engage in, small business, preach, pray, lie, steal and a great many other things above the chimpanzee accomplishment, he has convinced humanity that there is such a hell as ignorant preachers rant about, and such a heaven as they dream about. He has not convinced the world that he is a conquorer nor a discoverer, but he has proven his forcefulness in many useful walks of life, and though his success has been meager, he has a perfect right to enjoy some of this old grey world on broad humanitarian grounds. A long time, and a good oportunipty will do for him what it has done for other races. It takes old Uncle Time. Wait.

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Now is the time for Bishop Turner to get in his work on emigrantion from this United States. Cuba and Porto Rico afford not the terrors that Africa excites in the ignorant mind. The contemplation of settling these two large Negro republics with colored farmers is a scheme Croesus himself would not frown at. It is all the more favorable, because of the enchanting nearness, and if he still insists that the Negro shall become coffee growers, sugar refiners, and fruit venders on a large scale, the possibility of his ten years nightmare are well nigh an approaching reality.

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Somebody is making a hot-tomale time for the political preachers of Chicago. If these is to be any crow eating done there, it may be emphatically stated that feather picking is in due process, and it only remains for the bag to be secured to hold the black feathers.

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A minister of the gospel has a perfect right to be a politician, but he should find feed for his lambs nearer home. Keep your ear to the ground and listen for the rumbling.

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Some would-be philosophers reason very laboriously. If a correspondent has the courage of his convictions and strikes at the libertine, they say he is a meddler; if the correspondent soars far up beyond their weak preception, he is a contemptible slanderer, if he tells the truth, when it makes them uncomfortable, he is a lying upstart, why? Because the truth has always made rascals tremble in their boots, cowards stand in awe of it, and their sensitiveness is merely the betrayer of their unpretended guilt. The world must be saved for Christ, libertinism must be bridaled, and the work of saving souls must be given new impetus speedily or there will be found none worthy to proclaim a truth-loving Lord. Reader give this a wide swath.

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The moral question of the race is about settled, at a recent conference held in Illinois every minister's charactter passed without a murmur. This is a fitting compliment to the Negro press, the good work of reform is making a remarkable showing along this line. "Lay on MacDuff."

M. A. MAJORS, M. D.

"A SAD NIGHT."

How Carlyle and Leigh Hunt Differed Even About the Sky.

Leigh Hunt and Carlyle were once present at a small party of equally well known men. It happened that the conversation rested with these two, and the others sat, well pleased to listen. Leigh Hunt talked on in his bright and hopeful way, when Carlyle would drop some heavy tree trunk across his pleasant stream and bank it up with philosophical doubts and objections at every interval, but Hunt never ceased his joyous anticipations nor saturnine Carlyle his infinite demurs. The listeners laughed and applauded by turns, and now fairly pitted them against each other as the philosophers of hopefulness and unhopefulness. The contest continued with ready wit, philosophy, pleasantry and profundity and extensive knowledge of books and character.

The opponents were so well matched that it was quite clear that the contest would last indefinitely, but night was far advanced, and the party now broke up. They all sallied forth, and, leaving the close room, the candles and the arguments behind them, found themselves under a most brilliant and starlight sky. They looked up. Carlyle can have no answer to this, thought Hunt, and shouted: "There! Look at that glorious harmony that sings with infinite voices an eternal song of hope in the soul of man!"

Carlyle looked up. They all remained silent to hear what he would say. They began to think he was silenced at last, but out of the silence came a few low toned words in a broad Scotch accent:

"Eh, it's a sad night!"

They all laughed and then looked thoughtful. There might be some reason for sadness, too—that brilliant firmament perhaps contained infinite worlds, each full of struggling and suffering beings.

Unrecognized.

Perhaps when one makes that conversational blunder which is known as a "break" it is best to say nothing whatever about it. Extenuation only renders a bad matter worse.

Not long ago a lady was visiting the studio of a portrait painter and trying to make herself as agreeable as possible in return for a welcome and afternoon tea. She enjoyed the pictures, although in each case they seemed to her much idealized, and she went from one to another, civilly expressing her approbation.

"Ah," she said to her hostess, "you must tell me all about them! Who is this?"

"Mrs. Lorraine."

"I don't know her; charming, but of course I can't speak for the likeness."

"I try to be faithful," said the artist humbly.

"Oh, I know! I know! And who is the very pretty lady in brown?"

"That," said the other, with some frigidity, "is myself!"—Youth's Companion.

Below Decks During a Fight.

The position of the men below decks on a modern vessel of war, they being isolated by the watertight hatches and doors, has been frequently commented upon, but their position is not always so hard as has been supposed. On the Brooklyn, during the fight before Santiago, Admiral Schley sent orderlies among the men behind casemates and below decks telling them the effects of the shots and how the fight was going. When the chase of the Colon began, the orderlies went down to the stoke holes and engine room and told the men there that the race had begun and everything depended upon them. The wisdom of the action was partly shown in the outcome.—Argonaut.

People of Stone Age.

"The stone age" is not, properly speaking, an expression of time. It refers to a stage in civilization which passed long ago in Europe and Asia, but still lingers in some out of the way corners of the world. A report of La Plata museum in Paraguay describes the Quayoquis, a small tribe of 500 or 600 living near the headwaters of the Acaray river, as a true stone age people. They are timid, harmless folks, desperately afraid of the whites, and with reason, as they have been shamefully abused by them. They have no weapons for defense save bows, lances and stone tomahawks. They are undersized and round headed.

Impressing the Neighbors.

Mr. Wigsby—See here, my love, there is some mistake. The baggage delivery man has left seven trunks on our front porch.

Mrs. Wigsby (who has just returned from the mountains)—Imbecile! Don't you understand? He's coming back after dark for the extra five.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Hot Business.

"Fightin's hot business," said Willie as he read about the regiments. "First thing, they got peppered at by the enemy, an they they get mustard out by their own gov'ment."—Harper's Bazar.

It takes 72,000 tons of paper to make the post cards used in England each year.

In Ptolemy's time any one who killed a cat was put to death.

TENNYSON'S FAITH.

The Problem of the Future Life Had the Dominant Interest.

A reader of the "Life of Tennyson," by his son, will be struck by the fact that no subject interested him so deeply as the problem of the future life. He will also observe that it was always a problem to him, one that he was constantly raising, that would not stay settled. To be sure, he was a believer in immortality, but not a restful believer. He was all the time digging up the roots of his faith to be sure they were alive. The old question would not stay unanswered. The reader of his poetry observes the same thing. He is always on the side of faith, but of a somewhat disturbed faith. He belonged to that "metaphysical society" which invited into its membership believers of all shades, with all shades of unbelievers, whose object was to raise and answer doubts about God and the future life. He was the spokesman of the scientific doubt of the age, fluttering over the dovecots of faith, but hardly settling and resting and nesting therein.

One observes the contrast with this fluttering faith who reads the poems of Milton, with their abiding faith in the future life. This is the spiritual contrast between "In Memoriam" and "Lycidas." In Milton's requiem, even under its paganized form, there is a robust and jubilant faith in God and eternal life. No question enters. The mind and heart are satisfied. The dear friend is beyond all doubt among the saints and choirs above. One regrets that Tennyson's mental structure perhaps could find positiveness and rest on questions of politics or poetry, but must perennially dubitate—to be sure, with the hopeful balance of probability—over questions of faith. "I believe I know," he once said, "the quantity of every word in the English language except scissors," but one seems to detect a tremulousness in his best expression of faith, "I hope to meet my Pilot face to face, when I have crossed the bar."—Independent.

HARNESS REINS.

Made From the Stoutest of Leather. A Word About Hand Holds.

The reins of a set of single harness are each about 13 feet in length, those of a double harness about 15 feet. For business harness reins are made of leather, tanned black; the reins of carriage harness are made of russet colored leather.

Reins require to be very stout, and they are almost always made of steer hide, the leather of which traces are made, these, however, being of more than one thickness. Occasionally lines for light or for cheap harness are made of cowhide, but not often. As a rule the best of leather is used for the reins, even in cheap harness. There can be obtained from the hides of leather suitable for reins strips from seven to nine feet in length, so that reins are always of necessity made in two pieces.

The loops, or hand holds, often seen on the reins of track or road horses are commonly made of lighter leather stitched together and then sometimes stitched to the reins, but more often secured to them in such a manner that they can be shifted on the reins to suit the convenience of the driver. The three loop hold, which is called the Boston hand hold, is commonly used for track driving. The single loop is the one used by most drivers on the road. There are patent hand holds made of metal. The wooden buttons sometimes seen on reins, used as hand holds, are made in pairs, one button of each pair having a stem, with a thread cut on it, which goes through the rein and is screwed into the other button of the pair on the opposite side.—New York Sun.

Sowing Pansy Seed.

During early October is a good time for sowing pansy seed for next spring's supply of plants for bedding out. The reason for fall sowing out of doors is that the plants are not then subjected to the hot, drying influences of the house, which are so likely to bring on red spider and other troubles.

Prepare a bed of very rich, porous loam on a well drained location. Place over it a frame to be filled with forest leaves as a protection to the little plants over winter. After sowing the seed in the bed sift a very light covering of soil over the seed, merely enough to hide them. During the process of germination never allow the bed to dry out, as moisture is essential to perfect germination of any seed.

As severe weather approaches cover the bed with a few inches of litter of some sort, forest leaves being preferable. At the proper time in the spring the seedlings may be pricked out of the soil in the seedbed and transferred to the bed in which they are to bloom.—Woman's Home Companion.

One Day at a Time.

It is a blessed secret, says the British Weekly, this of living by the day. Any one can carry his burden, however heavy, till nightfall. Any one can live sweetly, patiently, lovingly, purely, till the sun goes down. And this is all that life ever really means to us—just one little day. Do today's duty. Fight today's temptations, and do not weaken and distract yourself by looking forward to things you cannot see and could not understand if you saw them. God gives us nights to shut down the curtain of darkness on our little days. We cannot see beyond. Short horizons makes life easier and give us one of brave, true, holy living.

Worth Discussing.

"Doctor, I don't know what's the matter with me. I can't sleep nights any more."

"Um! Let's see. What is your business?"

"I'm a night watchman."

"Ah, your case is a remarkable one. I must write it up for our Monthly Medical Record."—Chicago News.

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Bishop A. Walters, D. D., of the A. M. E. Zion Church, has recently been elected President of the National Afro-American Council.

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W. A. Gaines, of Covington, Ky., has been appointed revenue agent in the Internal Revenue service of Kentucky and Indiana.

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Mound Bayon, Miss., is a Negro colony. All the city officers are Negroes who rule with justice. The citizens are prosperous.

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Lawrence Dennis is a four year old prodogy. He cannot read nor write and yet he can quote scripture and explain it like a preacher. He is a wonder and commenced to preach last November.

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There is a movement on foot headed by Sam Lucas, the Mallory brothers, Bob Cole, Ernest Hogan, Billy McLain and C. A. Johnson to build a home at a convenient point for destitute colored actors. It is to be named in honor of the late Fred J. Piper.

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The National Colored Baptist Association recently decided to enter the Missionary field in Cuba immeadiately. It was decided to appoint two members of the church to go to Cuba before the year is out to make the neccessary preliminary arrangements.

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Mr. L. R. Clark, of Charlotte, N. C., has been appointed to a good position in the Post Office Department there. He is one of the most promising of rising politicians in his state. He has been delegate to the Republican national convention a number of times and is regarded as a splendid organizer and an eloquent speaker.

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The tribute of the Rochester papers to Collector Dancy as an orator is just. He is a beautiful speaker. The late Dr. Jos. C. Price was supposed in his time to have been the most forceful and eloquent speaker of the black race in North Carolina, but he was not the superior of John C. Dancy.

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Mr. Patrick A. Reason, the widely known colored engraver is dead at Cleveland, O. Mr. Reason was one of the best engravers in the country, and early made himself proficient in all of its branches. He was was also a painter of ability. Mr. Rearson was a thirty-third degree Mason and owned one of the largest Masonic libraries in the country.

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This month's Ainslee's contains also "What One Man Saw, being the Personal Impression of a War Correspondent." This is unique as well as a graphic narrative; and while in no way slighting the main events of the invasion of Santiago province, affords us a detailed account of the numerous little incidents and impressions which come within the pen of the writer and enable him to make of the whole glorious affair not only a matter of history, but a wonderful series of experiences, which all readers can behold and feel with almost the same realism as the author.

A Correction.

Editor of The Freeman, Sir; Please allow me a few inches of space to step out of my usual line of correspondence to say that your printer made me in my Bluster in your issue of Sept. 24th, use a "cuss" word without the quotation marks. It should have read (as per copy sent,) "Dons or Spanish," instead of the way it did read. Kindly publish this correction, so my pious readers will not conclude that I have gone to "cussing" in print without quotations marks,

Yours, B. SQUARE,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

New York via Pennsylvania Lines.

Under schedule taking effect Sunday, June 26th, the time to New York over the Pennsylvania lines will be quickened. Train No. 20, the solid vestibule train which goes through to New York without change for either sleeping car or coach passengers, arrives Twenty-third street station, New York City, about one hour earlier than under the old schedule. The through time of this daily train is as follows under the new arrangement: Leaves Chicago 10:30 a. m., Indianapolis 2:30 p. m., Cincinnati 4:20 p. m., Dayton, 5:35 p. m., Columbus 7:50 p. m., arrives Pittsburg 1:40 a. m., central time; arrives Harrisburg 9:10 a. m., Baltimore 11:55 a. m., Washington, 1:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:52 a. m., Twenty-third street station, New York, 2:35 p. m., eastern time.

The time of Train No. 6 has also been quickened. Under the new schedule that train leaves Indianapolis 5:50 a. m., Cincinnati 8:15 a. m., Columbus 11:45 a. m., arrives Pittsburg 5:40 p. m., central time; arrives Harrisburg 2:00 a. m., arrives Baltimore 6:25 a. m., arrives Washington 7:40 a. m., arrives Philadelphia 4:50 a. m., arrives Twenty-third street station, New YorkCity, 7:45 a. m., eastern time. No. 6 has sleeping cars through to New York without change.

Editor The Freeman:

Some time ago I wrote you informing you that the subscription on my paper had expired and asking you to continue my name on your lists for a short time, as I was not in a position then to remit for renewal and I did not desire to miss a single number of your valuable paper. I wish to thank you for the kindness shown me. I consider you have done me a great service and you don't know how much I appreciate it. I consider your paper the greatest exponent and advocate our race has in this country today and only wish that it may have the success it so richly deserves. If every colored man who has the interest of his race at heart would come forward and give moral and financial support to just such papers and defenders as The Freeman, I feel sure that the time would quickly come when the world would know the colored man just as he is and not as he is said to be by those who know him not.

Inclosed please find $1.50 for my subscription for another year, beginning from the time my last subscription expired. At the same time I wish you would accept my sincere thanks for the many favors already extended. Yours sincerely, WM. JONES,

In speaking of the curtailing of civil liberties The Freeman has just such cases in mind as given below:

The following order is posted conspicuously at terminal points of the Augusta Railway and Electric Company:

'Augusta, Ga., Aug. 30, 1898.

"Notice to Conductors and Motormen:

"All conductors or other employes in charge of cars are hereby required to assign all passengers to seats on the cars under their charge so as to separate the white and colored races as much as practicable.

"This is in accordance with the law of the State; and the same law empowers you with police authority to carry out the above provisions. You are therefore hereby directed to observe the above instructions so far as it is possible under all the circumstances to do so.

"By order of the Augusta Railway Company. W. E. MOORE,
"Superintendent."

This order will, therefore, have the effect of compelling white folks to ride on seats of street cars apart from the seats occupied by the colored people. Under no circumstances may a white man sit next to a colored man.—Augusta Chronicle (Reprint from the Presbyterian Herald, New York).

Editor The Freeman:—I am confident that The Freeman excels all other journals published by colored Americans. It is a great national paper and ought to be read by every colored man and woman everywhere. Faithfully yours, Moses Dickson, St. Louis, Mo.

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My native country, thee,
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Thy name I love;
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Thy woods and matchless hills,
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When all thy slanderous ghouls,
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—Bishop Turner in the Voice of Missions.

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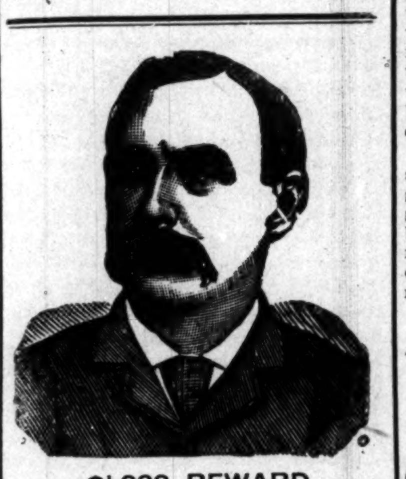

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Albert Ayres,
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Mrs. Mary Miller Smith,
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IN NORTH CAROLINA.

It has been evident all along that a struggle was on in North Carolina between the races, the results of which will be far reaching in its effects. But it is left to the Atlanta Constitution of Atlanta, Ga., to show up this struggle in all of its revolting ugliness. In a recent issue of that widely circulating journal is an illustration intended to portray the existing and possible future condition of affairs in that commonwealth as seen through the eyes of a writer that claims the advance of "Negro domination." A young woman, white, is represented as appealing to a brawny white North Carolinian, who supports his burden in an air dramatique and at the same time clutches his weapon of defense—the ballot as a means of beating back the hateful approach. In the rear is a mighty cumulus cloud, dark, threatening, ominous. Blazed across these clouds are the words "Negro domination," to which the woman points with one hand while her attitude is as an affrighted doe. The illustration while bearing some symptoms of truth is an immense campaign card, exagerated and overdone for the harm calculated. The article accompanying the illustration is a vote-maker from the start. It is even more highly colored than the illustration. It has no sympathy for colored men in public life. Ten columns of that valuable journal is devoted to what it considers unearthing a gigantic conspiracy on the part of the Negroes of North Carolina who it is claimed are endeavoring to set up a black state in which all the officers from United States Senators down to constables are to be Negroes.

The black race, united, solid, aggressive, is marching as one man against the divided white with the avowed purpose of overthrowing what slight vestige of their power remains and setting up for themselves a sovereign Negro state.

Then they will repeal the laws against intermarriage between the races and all other laws which, in any manner, shape or form, provide for separate accommodations for whites and blacks.—The Atlanta Constitution, Oct. 2, 1898.

This Negro utopia that is to be, doubtless rests only in the imagination of those of the opposite political complexion, who desire the offices. North Carolina is simply fortunate or unfortunate in having a vast number of the Negro voters, who, marshalled by sagacious leaders, have casted their ballots in their own interests. The hue and cry of the fear of Negro domination is meant to drive the white voters into one camp instead of the several existing camps. The managers of the campaign have played their best card and it is very likely the home of Cheatham and White will witness some reverses.

The voting strength of that state stands about:

Democrats	150,000
Populists	31,000
White Republicans	30,000
Black Republicans	110,000
Total	321,000

It can be seen that the margin either way is not extremely large, and when the unknown quantity, the Populists are considered, the result is extremely hazardous. The plea set forth by the Atlanta Constitution, it is said, will make inroads to the extent of 5,000 votes on the white Republicans. The work of this paper is highly appreciated and is considered telling by the Democrats. The chairman of the Democratic committee, F. M. Simmons in a letter to that paper says:

"Your staff correspondent, who wrote that review from personal observation and investigation, did not exaggerate the wretched conditions which exist here, nor overdraw the picture."

The Populists, however, having fused at the last election with the Republicans is responsible for the "inglorious" conditions as the Democrats see it. The chairman again relieves himself thus:

"The clear and faithful exposition of the awful plight into which this state has fallen under fusion government, contained in a recent issue of the Constitution, has been of immense service to us."

The Populists in some instances have again fused with the Republicans but apparently to no great extent. Where they have fused it is said that success will certainly attend the fusionists ticket.

Butler wants all the middle of the road populists in the legislature that he can get elected. He will fight the Republicans and the Democrats, too, in the Populists counties. Fowler, the Populist Congressman in Butler's district, has made a trade with the Negroes and they will not run a candidate against him.

The Atlantic Constitution of the same date says:

"If the white men unite as solidly as the blacks have done, the whites will win. On the other hand, if the mountain Republicans, who are practically all whites, line up with the Negroes, the election will be uncomfortable close. The Republicans will not get many Populists outside the ranks of the pie hunters. Senator Marion Butler will hold a large element of his party in the middle of the road. The Democrats are counting on 10,000 Populist votes. Public opinion is an excited, turbulent state."

Taking it all in all there is not much that is urged to the hurt of the Negroes in this very rabid sheet. The Negroes are simply making a struggle to preserve themselves and the Democrats are bent on undoing them. There is some allusion to the sacredness of woman to be preserved against Negro pollution, but current history has but very little to urge against the Negroes of North Carolina in that direction. So when this paper avers that the men of the shops are in daily dread, fearful that the innocent of their households will be ruthlessly deflowered in their absence by Negro men, it utters a fiction pure and simple. It is simply playing to the passions of the white voters; by erecting the menace to the virtue of their women as political scare-crows. It says:

"And then there is the other danger, greatest of all, the menace to the womanhood of the state, the constant and growing peril of each man's wife and daughter. That is the thought which is seated in the mind and on the heart of every man who loves his family. I know it to be a fact that the operatives in the cotton mills and the tobacco factories and the various shops and manufacturing concerns all through the state have given more attention to this phase of the subject than to any other."

If the foregoing is a general truth, the election is already won. The voters of that state can best attest as the existing conditions, and 60,000 white men representing 300,000 white people will not readily ally themselves to a party which is made up principally of men who are everlastingly bent on preying on their neighbor's household. The insinuation should alone be sufficient to defeat a party that circulates it. The Negroes of North Carolina have before them the fight of their lives. It may be possible that politics in the past has been a too absorbing theme with the Negroes for their own good. The truth of which assertion is to be demonstrated at the coming election. It is very likely that if the Democrats succeed North Carolina will not be a congenial political soil for Negroes. The Democrats are playing for the legislature and that being won, disfranchisement follows just as certainly as the night follows the day. Will they win?

The prejudices of the locality are not peculiar to it and such as they are there has been but one party that has taken one step whatsoever in allaying them. Those laws that work hardships for the Negroes from the standpoint of civil liberties were not enacted at the behest of the Republican party. The responsibility should rest on no less an individual or set of individuals than the author or authors. Whoever may be charged with this pernicious legislature at least it is not the Republican party and colored men will be blind to their interests if they for a single moment consider the advisability of changing their votes as a means of punishing that party for the offenses

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It was one of Washington Irving's quaint old Dutch characters of early New York, a governor perhaps who when unduly perplexed by a question of grave political import proceeded to relieve his mental tension by tugging vigorously and incessantly at his pipe, his inseparable companion thus completely enveloping his form in dense clouds of smoke—but he only smoked. When the colored voter is asked to change his vote the question at once arises; what is to be gained? The answer is looked for in vain, but the honorable junta of proselyters simply smoke—industriously smoke.

The grosser evils, striking at the very root of the race's civil existence are the ones to be contended with and are not to be confounded with the petty prejudices of localities. The colored man has no grievances against the Republican party. Because ones material interest is not advanced is not a signal for wholesale desertion to the enemy. The Republican party yet stands by the colored man. He succeeds as the party succeeds.

Will North Carolina follow fast in the wake of South Carolina in rendering nugatory the spirit of the Constitution in its efforts to secure equal and exact justice to all? Captivity is again leading its captors, captives. State sovereignty is not nigh dead. The insinuating methods of some of the states in cancelling the Negroes' enfranchisement is but a circuitous route in proclaiming the supremacy of the state.

The original poetry read by Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, at the unveiling of the Fred. Douglass monument at Rochester, N. Y., will be the means of elevating the race two-folds. It was grand and sends a thrill of pleasure to every race-loving Negro who reads it.—The Victoria Guide.

Well Thomas can do real well when he wants to; but he bears the reputation of being a confirmed "lassitudinarian." To the Colored American; no comment on that last word if you please.

The colored voter agrees that he is for gold, good sound money; for protection to American industries, etc He agrees that the Democratic party has never had one word to say in his favor, and he acknowledges his condition had it not been for the Republicans; yet there are those who insists that he change a while simply because he can,—well this is a bad year for experimenting.

The Negroes who lynched the Federal Judge up in the territory are vile murderers, every one of whom should be tried and convicted to hang. A mob, whether it be black or white, deserves the same punishment that it desires to mete out to others.—The Star, Fort Worth, Texas.

Now don't get excited, no white man has been lynched out there, and you have invaded your reserve force of generosity all to no purpose.

The Democratic party South hounds the Negro to his lair. It is relentless and merciless in its persecution, yet there are those among us that tell us that it is all efficacious a panacea and the fountain of political virtue and the home of the Negro, et cetera adnauseatim.

A vote for the Republican party this year is a vote of confidence in the administration for its brilliant conduct and termination of one of the shortest yet most decisive wars in the world's history.

A Brilliant Affair.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis D. Easton Jr. held their first post nuptial at their beautiful apartments, cornor Hopkins and John streets, Monday afternoon the 3rd, from 3 to 6. This is the culmination of a courtship involving two of Cincinnati's most popular young people. Of the bride (nee Mary Louise Bolton) too much of praise cannot be said, a stately girl, combining those graces which make womanhood lovely, she is a great favorite. The groom is a grandson of A. S. Thomas, Esq., a retired photographer, a son of Prof. L. D. Easton, the popular educator, and himself a popular young clerk in the post-office. He is a man of examplary habits. The ceremony which made these two hearts one, took place Saturday at 5 p. m. at the Union Baptist church, mid profusions of palms, the lovely strains of Lohengrin's wedding march and the full service of the Episcopal church read by Dr. H. D. Prowd. The bride was beautifvlly attired in white figured mousselline de soie over white silk. A veil of the flimiest tulle and a lovely boquet of bride's roses completed this effective toilet. The groom wore the conventional black with an embroidered cashmere vest, this latter a gift of his grandfather, and worn by him upon a similar occassion forty-eight years ago. Alice May Eaton, a sister of the groom and a teacher in algebra in the high school of St. Louis, officiated as maid of honor and looked very dainty in pale, blue. A large reception followed at the residence of the groom's parents. The presents were endless in variety, combining the useful and ornamental. Silver, cut glass, linen and mahogany were displayed in abundance. The office in which the groom is employed presented a handsome Morris chair, the letter carriers a complete dinner set. Mr. and Mrs. Easton will be at home to their friends, 440 Hopkins St.

Among the Churches.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

Sunday was endowment day at the A. M. E. church. The excellent program which consisted of the following was perfectly rendered: Geo. Allen read a paper entitled "The Freedman of Cuba," and the paper by the chorister under title of "The Refining influence of Songs," both showed careful preparation and sound reasoning as did the ones delivered by Geo. Parker, "The Value of a Trade to the Progress of an Individual," and that of George King, "The Colleges and Institutions of Learning." Jane Garrison died on the 8th. Mrs. Garrison was a worthy and faithful member of the A. M. E. church. She leaves no relatives but a host of friends mourn her demise. Her funeral services were held Tuesday the 11th. Collection at the A. M. E. church Sunday was as follows: Noon $1.25; Class No., 1, $.90; Class No., 2, $1.15. 3 P. M., $1.45; 7:30 P. M., $5.05; report from cards, $9.25. Total $19.06. George Parker, George Hill, Percy Jones and Harry Brooks attended the Peace Jubilee at Kokomo last week. C. S. Jones filled the pulpit for Rev. Smith last Sunday.

Students Depart.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Chattanooga will be pretty well represented at the Knoxville College this session. Several left Oct. 1st, for the popular East Tennessee school, Oct. 3rd, another crowd left, compossed of the following persons: Florence Kemp, Mary L. Billingslea, Elmyra Bomar, Ethel E. Lee, Alice Lowe and Rena Hariel. Z. S. Stanback, Allen Thomas, Walker St. Wave, Whit Griffin and Nash. Some of the students are entering upon their second term, while others have not been there before. Notwithstanding a steady rain was falling many friends and relatives were at the train to wish the college candidates a prosperous session, and give them a hand shake, and a parting kiss. The boys and young men, were as jolly as if going to a picnic, but the girls looked serious, and when the train pulled out shed copious tears. The writer learns that some have been examined and passed a grade higher than they were at home. This speaks well for our city schools, and the students who made such a splendid record.

Henderson Notes.

Henderson, Ky., Special.

Dr. S. A. O'Neal has returned from Paducah, where he attended Conference. Messrs Edward Short, Robert Cabell and John Crabtree attended the Fair at Owensboro last week. The Henderson Cornet band gave their final open air concert at Fields Park Oct., 3rd, a very good program was rendered. Mrs. Millie Sprow met with the misfortune in spraining her ankle by falling down the steps last week. Mrs. Bertha Thomas and Mrs. Harriet Cabell are on the sick list. Messrs George Ellis and George Snipes attended the Exposition at St, Louis last week. Mrs. Lizzie White and daughter Miss Sophronia, are visiting relatives in Sebree, City. Miss Nannye Lewis is visiting friends in Owensboro. Mrs. E. H. Brown and daughter Lelia Mae, have returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Brown at St. Louis, Mo. A little warrior made his appearance at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Starling Oct., 6th., mother and son are getting along nicely. Walter J. Brown attended the B. M. C., at St. Louis last week. He represented Light of Henderson Lodge, No., 3261, G. U. O. of O. F. William Frizzel is very ill at his home on Powell St. Mrs. Betsy Vaughn is on the sick list. Mrs. Sarah Taylor of St. Louis, is visiting her mother Mrs. Ann Alexander. Miss Sallie Bunch and John Bunch arrived last week from Louisville, to attend the bedside of their mother who is very ill. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. L. Anderson are the happy parents of a little son. Thomas Gaines represented Canby Lodge No., 1642 at the B. M. C., in St. Louis, last week. Mrs. Arsley Eastin died Oct 8th, after a long illness. Three daughters are left to mourn the loss of their mother, namely, Mrs. Ella Williams, Mrs. Julia Smith and Miss Fannie Eastin. The deceased was a member of the Household of Ruth, No., 75. The order turned out in a body. Her many friends sympathize with the bereaved children and other relatives. Wash Hatchett was in St. Louis last week. Mattie Gilchrist Short who has been very ill, is now convalescent. The first Baptist church has been newly papered and presents a beautiful appearance. Rev. Browder of Madisonville was in the city last week. Prof. Lucas a violinist and Madame Lewis an elocutionist are in the city giving a series of concerts. Mary Bunch is teaching at Lick Creek, Henderson, County. Squire Reeder has returned from Chicago.

West Side Notes.

Chicago, Ill., Special

A concert was given at St. Stephens the 12th. Elder Thompson was called home on account of the illness of one of his children. There will be a musical concert given by the Olive Club Monday evening the 17th. Miss L. Lelaike has entered College at Wilberforce, O. The B. Y. P. U., gave a Sacred Concert at the County Hospital Saturday night. Oscar Brown gave a party Thursday evening at the home of his parents. The Booker T. Washington Club concert was postponed from Friday to a later date.

Bishop A. Walters, D. D.

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how these convicts were murdered. A warden whose name was Hudson had a Negro chained to the post and stripped. Hudson hit him 150 licks, making the back raw. Hudson then took salt and water and threw it upon the lacerated and bleeding back, then left the Negro standing in the hot sun chained to a post. He was again whipped and left standing until he died. The Negro's only offence was that he was sick and unable to work. Upon the examination of the body of another colored convict it was found that the end of the spinal column had been kicked and broken off; the stomach had been kicked to pieces. Altogether there were forty distinct kicks and bruises. The head had been punched all out of shape and was unrecognizable. The eyes had burst from their sockets and hung down over the face. This man lived eight days after he was thus kicked and bruised. His only fault was that he was unable to accomplish his task, which exasperated the drunken warden. The name of this convict was Mose Harvey. Another warden, J. A. Gafford, whipped Charles Williams, a colored convict who ran away and hid in the mines. He was found by the guard and brought out one morning at breakfast time. He was stripped naked and chained to the whipping-post and during the day had four hundred lashes laid on his bare back; that night he was taken to the hospital chained hand and foot, and died the next day. When the body was exhumed it was found in a pine box filled with water and mud, and was wrapped in a piece of old blanket. Every particle of flesh had been whipped off his back from the shoulders down. The right temple of the skull was fractured by a lick from a pick-ax on the right side just over the kidney was a hole six inches square which had been kicked in there. Another colored convict by the name of Andrew Fry was given 112 licks, kept chained up all night, hit 96 licks in the morning, and within an hour the Negro was dead. Mose Tate was unable to get out his coal; he was chained and whipped until he died. J. B. Scott, a warden, was drunk half the time; one night he whipped seventy-five men until the blood ran in streams from their bodies. Other instances could be given of convicts being flayed alive,' but enough is already given to show why seventy fresh graves were found during one investigation of the 'hell in Arkansas.' John C. Carroll, inspector of convicts, declared that convicts were just as badly treated on farms and railroad construction and other places, as those worked in the mines at Coal Hill. Convict farms were declared to be "brutalizing hells on earth."

We look to the Christian Endeavor Society for encouragement through its good government clubs in our fight against the separate coach law. One of the greatest injustices ever done the Negro was the enactment by several states of the South of the separate coach law. No matter how white he is, nor how well dressed, cultured or wealthy, he is forced to occupy a coach to himself. He can sit by the side of the wealthiest and most cultured white woman in the land if he will do it in the capacity of a carriage driver. Our women can nurse the richest white children, caress them at will in the capacity of a servant, but not even sit beside them when it comes to a matter of social equality. What inconsistency!

Again, the most degraded foreigners can come to these shores, come to destroy our property and our institutions, and be allowed to ride where they please; but the Negroes, who are among the most loyal citizens of the commonwealth, and who have done so much to develop our institutions are not allowed such privileges. Shame on such a Christain civilization.

Not long ago, in Knoxville, Tenn., I was forced into one of these separate coaches (which are nothing but common smoking cars) by ruffians in the employ of the rail road company, with pistols and clubs.

No matter how white a person may be their treatment is just the same if it is known that he has a drop of Negro blood in his veins.

We look to the Christain Endeavor Society for encouragement in our efforts to enter the mines, factories, machine shops and other avenues of labor in the North, from which we are excluded because of color. While the prejudice is not as intense in the North as it is in the South, still there is a considerable amount of it although manifested in a different manner. In the South we are denied admission to the hotels, theatres, restaurants, first class cars, etc., but are allowed to work in the factories, on the buildings and in the iron shops. In the North we are generally admitted to the hotels, theatres, restaurants and all first class cars, but the doors of the manufactories and trades are closed to us because of our color.

The serfs of all nations of the earth can come here and find admittance into such places but we, who have helped make this land what it is and who have been loyal to the old flag, are denied admission. Is it right? Is it fair? What has the Negro done that he should be treated thus?

When we apply for such places we are told we cannot be employed because we are not members of the "Union," and when we make application for membership in the "Unions" we are told we cannot be admitted because we are colored. I have known cases where a few favored ones were admitted into the union, but on application for work were told by the proprietor that if he were to employ them his white force would leave. In the face of these facts what are we to do? The only hope for us is to change public opinion in our favor by a recital of our wrongs to those who are fair-minded and in a position to help us.

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ROUTE:

AL REEVE'S BIG SHOW—Boston, Mass., Oct., 10-15.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS—Ottawa, Canada, Oct., 13-15; Auburn, N. Y., 17; Courtland, 18; Ithaca, 19; Elmira, 20.

CANADIAN JUBILEE SINGERS AND IMPERIAL ORCHESTRA—Oberlin, O., Oct., 15-16; Norwalk, 17.

JOHN W. VOGEL'S MASTODON MINSTRELS—Bellfont, Pa., Oct., 14; Lock Haven, 15.

JOHN W. ISHAM'S OCTOROONS—New York City, Oct., 10-15.

LELAND MELROY MINSTRELS—Louisiana,, Mo., Oct. 15.

LEW JOHNSON'S UNCLE TOM'S CABIN CO.—Lumbertown, Mex., Oct., 18; Menro, 19; Charmer, 20; Monent, Colo., 21-23.

MARTELL'S "SOUTH BEFORE THE WAR"—Butte, Mont., Oct. 2-8; Anaconda, 10-11; Hamilton, 12; Missoula, 13; Spokane, Wash., 14-15.

OLIVER SCOTT REFINED NEGRO MINSTRELS—Peoria, Ill., Oct., 15; Pekin, 17; Canton, 18; Bushnell, 19; Monmouth, 20; Galesburgh, 21.

P. T. WRIGHT NASHVILLE STUDENTS—Clinton, Ky., Oct., 15; Mayfield, 17.

RICHARDS, PRINGLES, RUSCO & HOLLAND'S BIG MINSTREL FESTIVAL—Clinton, Mo., Oct., 15; Kansas City, 16-19; Moberly, 20; Columbia, 21; Mexico, 22.

STETSON'S UNCLE TOM'S CABIN—(Geo. M. Forepaugh, man'gr)—Green Bay, Wis., Oct. 10; Marietta, 11; Menominee, 12.

"TRIP TO COONTOWN" (Cole & Johnson's)—St. John, N. B., Oct. 10-15.

WASHBURN'S DOUBLE MINSTRELS— Mt. Pleasant, Pa., 1$; New Castle, 15.

WILLIAMS & WALKER'S SENEGAMBIAN CARNIVAL—Washington, D. C., Oct., 10-15.

"Pic" you make me tired—Fred.

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Laurence Chenault sends regards to Boe Diddle.

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Harry Eaton and Ray Trusty have joined hands.

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Jas. Burris is with the "Pulse of New York" company.

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The Houseley brothers sends regards to Ralph Hawkins.

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Prof. Wm. Malone is with the Georgia Up-to-Date Minstrels.

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"Kid" Frazier sends regards to W. C. Hayden, mandolin player, of St. Louis.

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Chas. Green, clarionetist, of St. Louis, has recently joined the Nashville Students.

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Lew Johnson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company are touring Mexico, meeting with much success

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Misses Ella Dawson, Sallie Lee, and Lilly Garay, of "Darkest America" sends regards to all friends.

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While in Montreal, Mrs. Wm. McClain lost a valuable traveling bag and its contents at the depot.

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There is a rumor concerning Walter Smart's serious illness. Would like to know if reports are positive.

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Alonzo Crosby and Albert Bailey, comedians, with the L. W. Washburn's minstrels, have joined hands.

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Don Moreno, tenor, with the Oliver Scott Colored minstrels, is singing with success: "She Was Bred and Born in Old Kentucky."

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Manager Voeckel, of the Black Patti Troubadours, and the entire company sends regards to H. S. Wooten.

Mrs. Joe Dobbins, of Chicago, Ill., is paying her husband, Joe Dobbins, cornet soloist of the Scotts' minstrels, a visit.

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Miss Lizzie Hardin, of the Richards, Pringles, Rusco & Holland's Minstrel Festival, sends regards to the girls with Isham's Octoroons.

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Prof. W. L. Jackson, orchestra leader, with "Darkest America" is a violinist of much merit, and his artistic work is commented on nightly.

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Mr. Lewis Tio sends regards to his brother, Lorenzo Tio and all his professional and non-professional friends and also to Clarence P. Jones.

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Marsh Craig, the human enigma with Scotts' minstrels, continues to mystify the audiences with his seemingly impossible feats of bending and balancing.

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Miss Katie Carter, of "South Before the War" company, sends regards to Joe and Sadie Britton, Smart & Williams, and all of her lady friends with the Octoroons.

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Clarence Powell and his mouth, with Scott's minstrels, bids fair to be a rival of the famous Kersands. Go it, Clarence. There is always room for one more at the top.

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Dan Avery, the "funny little coon," author of "You Ain't the Hottest Coon in Town," has written a new song entitled "Leave My Gal Alone," and he will feature the same.

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Geo. Holt, principal tenor, with the Black Patti Troubadours, has the musical world wondering who he is, and where he came from? There is talent yet in the West to burn.

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A. Phil Payn jr., of the Forepaugh-Sells Bros' Shows, sends his kindest regards to the Averys, Bob Kemp and Billy Walker, of the Richards, Pringles, Rusco & Holland's Minstrels.

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Miss Etta Minor, of the Black Patti Troubadours, while dancing sprained her ankle in the Gloverville Opera House on the 4th, and will be obliged to keep her bed in that city for three weeks.

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Harry Reed, acrobat, of the team of Cicero Reed and Son, with the Oliver Scott Refined Negro minstrels, wishes a partner for next season, as Cicero will retire from the road after this season.

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Lloyd Cooper, tuba soloist, with John W. Vogel's "Darkest America" causes the crowd to marvel at each evenings concert, playing one of the most difficult solos ever heard at a free band concert. Cooper has a few rivals, but no superiors.

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Much credit is due to Fred Douglass, of Isham's Octoroons, for writing the song "Who's Dat Got Money in Dis Gang." It is a hot number—a legal dodge—and was prepared in an imergency. Give it to him boys.

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Manager W. A. Rusco writes that they will wager $1.000 that the receipts of the Richards, Pringle, Rusco and Holland's Minstrel Festival for the past ten weeks have never been reached by any minstrel show in this country.

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The Misses Pearl and Carrie Merideth with E. E. Rice's "Origin of the Cake Walk" organization, are making an immense hit; and as they are ladies of the first-water and ardent workers, success is certain to crown their efforts.

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Jno. W. Simmons joined Richards, Pringles, Rusco & Holland's Minstrels, as a saxophone soloist. Though only 26 years of age, he possesses high musical accomplishments, having spent five years with the 24th Infantry band, now at Ft. Douglass, Utah.

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During the engagement of "Darkest America" at Greensburg, Pa., W. A. Porter and a few members of the company were entertained ot the Vingolf Club, by Harry Jones. Mr. Jones and his parents, are friends of Mr. Porter's, and were formerly residents of Duluth, Minn.

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James Lightfoot, the basso, of Syracuse, N. Y., a recent addition to the Black Patti Troubadours, has proved himself to be quite an artist; and his rendition of the Anvil song from "Robin Hood" nightly, to the large and select audiences that this company draws, always makes them look on the program the second time.

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Howard E. Morton, writes that he is the author of the title "If You Go Why This Will Bring You Back," as he used it in his monologue with the Buckinham Trio as early as last April. He states that he has written three other songs "White Folk's All Coons Don't Look Alike to Me," "The Better You Shake 'Em, the More I Like 'Em," and "If You Ain't Yaller Why You Can't Break By" which are great successes.

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Roster of P. T. Wright's Nashville Students; Mrs. P. T. Wright, sole owner; L. E. Gideon, mgr.; Joe Becker, bus. mgr.; S. H. Dudley, stage mgr.; Harry Prampin, band master; D. F. Desdunes, orchestra leader; E. O. Green, Moses McQuitty, Chas Green, Arthur Prince; Master of transportation, Thos. Jefferson, Burt Johnson, Tom Hinggles, Sam Nealy, Charley Johnson, P. G. Hampton, A. C. Harris, Tom Myers, John Pamplin, Al. F. Watts, John Stuart M. Gideon, George Bryant, Mrs. Stuart and Mrs. Watts.

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Roster "Darktown Aristocracy"—Jno. W. Isham, prop.; Sidney Perrin, stage manager; Prof. Huelle, musical director; Harry Stafford, electrician; Madam Shannon, wardrobe mistress; Madame Hyer, Miss Belle Davis, Lillie Perrin, Helen Scott, Ada Mackey, Mattie Mackey, Mrs. Sam Lucas, Bertha Cossins, Eva Freeman, Blanche Arlington, Maggie McCabe, Dean & Wilson, Alexander & Perrin, Mitchell & McCabe, Happy Al Brown, Tom Craig, Tom Bethel, Will Harris, Walter Robinson, Geo. Reese, Geo. Archer and Sam Cossins.

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Mr. Clifford D. Brooks, our special representative with John W. Vogel's combined shows, sends the following; "Darkest America continues to play to packed houses and leaves a good impression wherever it has been seen this season. This Company is stronger this season than ever, with more exclusive features and real novelties. Since the addition of Miss Lama Walker and Guy Hughes, the choruses are very much improved. John W. Vogel our genial manager is well pleased with his two combinations. This bids fair to be the banner season of this organization.

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Mr. R. H, Barnett, our special representative with the Leland Melroy Minstrels, writes; "Show did big business in St. Louis, Mo. The press and public say that we have one of the best ever seen in that city. Wm. S. LeVard is stage manager. The Byron family was a great card. Haskins and Barnett and Dan. E. Walker, the champion cake walker of America were also great favorites. Russell L. Bolden joined the show in St. Louis. The Marshall family made a big hit. We are traveling in a car especially built for Mr. Melroy. The company sends regards to The Freeman and professionals."

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Harry A. Brown sends the following from Kingston, N. Y.,: "When I wrote you last I was playing dates. I am at present business and stage manager of the Southern Quadroon Fun Makers. We opened at Albany, N. Y., on the 5th and are doing good business. James Brown, a brother of Tom Brown, of the team of Brown & Bernard, is the leading comedian, and he is making a great success singing Smart & Williams' latest song "No Coon Come Too Black for Me" We number twenty-two people, and are on our way West. Regards to Paul C. Floyd and all the boys.

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Lewis Tio and Clarence P. Jones, clarionet and flute soloists are making a big hit at each evening concert, playing a swell duett with Henderson Smiths' great band. Miss Laura Walker, the Virginia nightengale with Jno, W. Vogel's combined shows, is singing with great success one of Mr. S. N. Edmonds' compositions entitled, "Sweet Dreams of Love." Miss Walker has a sweet soprano voice and bids fair to become one of America's leading colored singers, this being her first appearance on the theatrical stage although she has appeared at several concerts, at Wheeling, W. Va., her native city. Miss Walker's range is E. flat.

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Messrs Prampin and Green send following from the P. T. Wright Nashville Students Company. "The Company played to a large house at Galesburg, Ill. The band captured the town. Geo. Bryant, first cornetist of Harry Prampin's concert band, has purchased a cello and expects to join the orchestra in a few days. D. F, Desdunes, leader of the orchestra of the Nashville Students has purchased a slide trombone and is now playing second trombone in Harry Prampin's concert band. E. O, Green, the young trombonist is playing a trombone solo in the evening band concert with great success. Harry Prampin, the creole cornetist has added a new solo to his collection. Prampin spent the week rehearsing his band on standard overtures.

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Mr. Milton, our representative with Harry Martell's "South Before the War" company writes: "We continue playing to fine business in the northwest. Clark & Minor are still the prime favorites in their original act, "The Hot Boys From Dixie," introducing banjo and tambourine solos. Geo. R. Moore, our leading comedian, still holds the helm, he sends regards to Billy Caldwell and other friends. W. C. Craine sends regards to Geo. I. Holt and Gus Hall, of the Black Patti Troubadours. Ralph Hawkins sends regards to Ralph Devine and Cincinnati friends with Washburn's minstrels. J. C. S. Crooms sends regards to Madam Hyer and Harry Stafford, of Isham's Octoroons. Fred White, cornetist, sends regards to Bula Chambers and all friends with Washburn's minstrels.

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Fred W. Simpson our special representative with the Oliver Scotts Refined Minstrels, sends the following notes. "Good business, good business. How monotonous, but still that is what keeps us out. The manager smiles, the performers smile, the public smiles and every one is satisfied consequently the expression, (good business) though it grows monotonous, is essential. And, judging by the comments of both press and public, Oliver P. Scotts' Refined Negro Minstrels are essential to the music and fun loving public. During our stay in Davenport, Iowa, the theatre was crowded. Walker Whitesides and company occupied a box during the performance. At the conclusion of the entertainment, they pronounced it the finest minstrel performance they ever had the pleasure to witness. Walter Johnson, drum major, has been on the sick list but is now able to resume his place in the show. Ralph Devine, trombonist, sends regards to friends. He wishes to state also that his mother has been very ill in Cincinnati but is fast improving.

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J. Ed Green, our representative with the Richards, Pringles, Rusco & Holland Big Minstrel Festival, sends the following: "We opened and played to the original big crowd at Waco, Tex., every artist working to the best advantage. Wm. Dixon is before the footlights again after a rest of three weeks. Messrs. Jas. Lacy Robt. Leach, W. O. Terry, A. J. and I. N. Smith and J. Ed Green were royally entertained after the performance at Waco, at the residence of Mrs. Campbell by Miss Alberta Butler. Miss Butler is an excellent pianist, being a graduate of Fisk and instructor of music in Waco. J. W. Simmons, alto saxophonist, late of the 24th Regiment band joined us at Palestine, making a strong addition to our band. James "Jube" Brown, snare drummer and song-and-dance artist, joined at Austin, filling the vacancy made by Buddie Glenn. Messrs. James Crosby, Harry Fidler, Dan Avery and Billy Kersands, members of the Big Four, were highly entertained while at Austin. "Ectacy" is the new addition to the number of classical gems rendered by W. F. Gauze, to much applause. Report of the gun club at its weekly outing at Palestine, is as follows: First. series, five birds, Terry, 4; Burns, 2; Woods, 3. Second series, Terry, 3; Burns, 3; and Woods, 5.

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John W. Isham's "Darktown Aristocracy" are to open soon. Sidney Perrin, of the musical team of Perrin & Alexander, has been called back from the Octoroons to reproduce some of his songs and other numbers. Things are running smoothly. This team have been especially engaged by Mr. Isham, for two seasons to write and produce numbers for all of his companies, and to divide their time between his shows. They with Miss Belle Davis have just closed a three weeks' engagement at Koster & Bial's, and opened on the 26th ult., where they will remain until taking the road. They are making a decided hit with Sidney Perrin's songs: "Tenderloin Jubilee," "When Susan Simpkins Marries Jasper Green," "Kill It Babe," "The Golf Dance," "The Watermelon ballet, the Golf dance, the Jennie Cooler dance, and the lullaby "Sleep Ma Little Piccaniny Sleep" are all introduced, while Miss Lillie Perrin is making a success of "Kill It Babe." Alexander & Perrin wish to extend their kind regards to all friends, and says to all the band boys that they have bid farewell to the street. Your eagerly looked for, and as eagerly read paper, The Freeman reaches us every week. All here are well and extend best wishes to the entire profession.

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Mr. Gus. Hall, of the Black Patti Troubadours, writes—"As representative of your paper with this company, I will say of the notes of my brother reporters in the several companies, that I purusе their interesting notes with pleasure and, in a measure, will try to reciprocate, but when they insert slang phrases and funny sentences that are only make-out-able to the person or persons to which it refers, then it ceases to be news and I feel we are doing this enterprising journal an injustice; viz. taking up space in their columns donated to us and at the same time imposing on their liberality. Edmonia Butler, prima donna of Baltimore, with us, is convalescent and entertained her mother along the route for a week. Mother has returned home. We have been playing to big houses everywhere and the show is fast getting in tip top order that calls forth applause continually during the first part. At Johnstown, N. Y. Ernest Hogan purchased another dog. Now he has three on the road. It is plausible to say he will have 20 by the end of the season as he is a great dog fancier. Miss Alice Thompson, acting as maid for Madame Jones, has won the esteem of all the members of the company by her kind words to all and pleasant ways. When James Bland gets through playing Parson Parkhurst in the first-part, there is nothing left in the character to be done by anybody. Our company was in a small wreck leaving Poukeepsie for Hartford, on the 24th ult. Nobody hurt only missed a Sunday-Night-Concert and meal hour unusually distant. There are several blacksmiths in our company that handle their hammers so recklessly and blindly that oftimes it rebounds, theatrically speaking, knocking the handler clean out of business. "United we stand, divided we fall." Some members of the show were royally entertained by Mr. Arnum, at his elegant home, in North Adams and a most enjoyable time was spent. The manager was informed by wire that, at Ottawa Canada Opera House, S. R. O. sign is out. I would like to know the whereabouts of Prof. R. Byron Shelton and what company he is with, please? Your last number of The Freeman received and now all the members look forward to its coming. I will look for a bundle in Anburn, N. Y. Judson Hicks is rapidly developing into a song writer as well as a first-class comedian. Watch the Clipper, boys, and you will hear from him soon. There is a club formed among the gentleman members of this company, called the Red Cross Association. Every member caught making the slightest mistake on the stage recieves corporal punishment with Hogan's big shoe. We certainly have a hot show in consequence. James Rasin, understudy of principal tenor, has surprised all his co-workers with his oratory, which is of the gilt edge order and already his services have been required and he has acquitted himself nobly. Samuel Collins, our genial assistant stage manager is certainly, "One of the Boys" and also, he sends regards to all the other boys and girls on the road. Miss Etta Frisby, who was called to Albany, N.Y. on the account of her mother's sudden illness returned to the show at Schenectady.

J. HARRY JACKSON.

SPORTING NOTES.

Monk Overton, once a well-known and popular jockey, has turned manager and trainer and is handling a formidable stable for W. S. Barnes.

Jim Janey, better known as the "Black Demon," of Washington, is matched to box twenty-five rounds with Jim Watts, of Louisville, on Oct. 14th. The winner of the bout to meet Joe Walcott.

Joe Walcott and George Beyers, the colored middle-weight along with Manager Tom O'Rourke has left for the Pacific coast, owing to their inability to get on fights in the East.

The League of American Wheelmen won't admit a Negro to membership in its ranks, but the officials were glad enough to try to use Major Taylor as a tool to help kill the independent racing movement, but little "Maj." was too honorable to throw his friends among the circuit chasers. Taylor may be a little dusky as to color but he has shown himself white at heart.

Major Taylor is to go for all records, paced and unpaced. He will have a complete set of pacemakers and may make his early headquarters at Washington, later going to Denver and then, if necessary to the Pacific coast. He is anxious to go for unpaced as well as paced records, and will attempt to clean up the paced records from the one-quarter to the hour and the unpaced up to five miles. "Maj" is a pace-follower, unpaced rider, racing man and an all-around man from all distances from the quarter to the six-days.

While at Trenton, N. J., Taylor gained admission to a hotel which had previously turned him down after registering, by a method he would not ordinarily attempt. He sent his trainer in and the trainer registered "John Jones and M. Taylor," Philadelphia, and asked the rate for a day. Upon learning it he paid the bill in advance, took a receipt and then went out and got Taylor. The hotel-keeper was astonished, but could do not a thing, and Taylor gave him the laugh.

The above reminds me of another story of an interview between "Major" Taylor and Chairman Mott of the L. A. W., Racing Board before Taylor broke away from that organization. It is related by President Potter, and has a touch of grim humor about it. It was at the time when the "Major" wanted to break away from those who had been managing him and race at Springfield, Mass., without their permission. After each side had advanced its arguments Mott told Taylor that if he went to Springfield and broke his contract he would be suspended. Taylor requested a few words in private with the chairman, and they withdrew to an adjoining room. Taylor looked about the room and then said: "They will listen at the key-hole." He led Mott to a far away corner and then said: "Mr. Mott your threat to suspend me does not strike any terror to my heart, and I don't know but what I had rather be suspended. If I was, I could kick up my heels and have a good time. But if I am not suspended, I have got to work hard and not get any money anyhow. I guess you'd better suspend me and let me have a good time." Chairman Mott proceeded to talk Taylor out of his notion, (so the story goes) and induced him to go back and ride according to his contract and let the Racing Board protect his financial interests.

The colored bicycle riders of Philadelphia and vicinity had a gala day on Oct. 6th., when they turned out in large numbers and attended the initial meet of the Germantown Colored Wheel Club held at Tioga track. While none of the heats and finals were run in Major Taylor time, yet everything combined to make the meet a success; clear weather, exciting races and a lack of accidents, all conspiring to make the day a memorable one. The following are the summaries:—

One Mile Novice—First heat. Won by William H. Watson; J. Worthington, second; Ed. Louis, third. Time 2.40 2-5.

Second heat—Won by Eugene Wright; Theo. Young, second; George Cunningham, third. Time 2.48 1-5.

Third heat—Won by Scott Thompson; Daniel Minor, second; R. W. McCord, third. Time 2.56.

Final heat—Won by Scott Thompson; W. H. Watson, second; Daniel Minor third. Time 3. 05 3-5.

Five Mile Pursuit Race—Alex. Daniels of Germantown vs. Peter French of the Magnolia Wheelman. Won by French. Time, 13.33.

One Mile Race for Colored Championship of Philadelphia.—First heat. Won by S. Kinney; Joseph Benn Second; Peter French third, Time 2.40.

Second heat—Won by Scott Thompson; Alex. Daniels, second; James Jackson, third. Time, 2.36 2-5.

Final heat—Won by Joseph Benn; Samuel Kinney, second; James Jackson, third. Time 2.50.

One Mile Open—First heat. Won by Joseph Binn; Enoch Binn, second, C. C. Morgan, third. Time 2.36 1-5.

Second heat—Won by S. Kinney; W. H. Watson second; Scott Thompson third. Time 3.01.

Third heat—Won by Eugene Wright; Harry Anderson, second; R. W. McCord, third. Time 2.57 2-5.

Final heat—won by Enoch Binn; Harry Anderson second; S. Kinney, third; Joseph Binn, fourth. Time 3.02 1-5.

One-Third-Mile Open—First heat. Won by Harry Anderson; Alexander Daniels, second; Eugene Wright, third. Time, 51 4-5 seconds.

Second heat—Won by Enoch Buck; Daniel Minor, second; R. W. McCord, third. Time 47 seconds.

Third heat—Won by Joseph Binn; S. Kinney second; Al. F. Smith, third. Time, 48 2-5 seconds.

Final heat—Won by Alexander Daniels; Enoch, Burk second; Joseph Binn, third; Harry Anderson, fourth; R. W. McCord, fifth; Time 48 1-5 seconds.

Five-Mile Handicap—Won by Eugene Wright, 250 yards; Peter French, scratch, second; Enoch Burk, 100 yards, third; Theo. Young, 200 yards, fourth. Time, 13 min. 30 sec,

"NED-LMO-BEE."

Newsy Notes.

Redemption, Ark., Special.

Mrs. Paralel Tate and daughter are visiting relatives at this place. Mr. M. T. Casey wears a pleasant smile since the arrival of a fine baby girl. The rains are doing great damage to the crops and is rendering the progress of harvesting very slow. Prof. Delaney is expected here on the 14th. and 15th. inst. to exhibit his Dantees Infernio at A. M. E. and Baptist churches. The election passed off quietly after which the republican candidates returned to their usual vocations, to earn their living by the sweat of their brow. Oct., 9th., was rally day at the A. M. E. church. Every day you can subscribe for The Freeman. Get it and note the progress of the race. $1.50 a year. Five cents per copy.

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Dayton, O., Special.

Mrs. Nancy Stewart, of Indianapolis, formerly of Dayton, has been the guest of Mrs. Harriet Boone and Dr. E. P. Clemens. Returning to her home she leaves many warm friends. Mrs. Rev Charles Clemens of Greenville, O., has been visiting her son Dr. Clemens for the past two weeks. Mr. M. C. Moore the well known saloonist, has just made an $8000 purchase—a three story brick near Main st. Born to Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Grant, a fine large baby boy last Saturday morn. A new colored news sheet has been started in the "Gem City" by Prof. Jones of West Virginia. The Freeman is gaining prestige in these parts. T. A. Clemens has just been assigned a position in the Curry schools. Peter Louding has put some new additions to his steam laundry. Montgomery County Fair, now in progress, is receiving daily showers of rain. Miss. Clark, the lady who tried to quit this clime by swallowing two oz. of blue vitrol, has, under the professional care of Dr. Clemens, recovered and as she says "never to try the same again. R. A. Mallory says the "Freeman" is good enough for him.

Clarksville Notes.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

The W. R. G. and C., gave a grand party recently at the residence of Miss Brockman on Franklin Ave. Dancing and games were the amusements of the evening. Miss Sara Hawkins of Evansville, visited here. Miss Nettie Hawkins who has been visiting friends in Hopkinsville, has returned home. Lonnie H. Hill is in St. Louise. Henry Hutchens and Miss Lulu Umbel were married at the Christian church, the 25th, ult., Rev. A. W. Davis officiated. Mrs. Mentie Williams is improving. Miss E. L. Anderson, of Guthrie, Ky., is in the city. A number of persons were in the city last week from Bear Springs. Miss Lizzie Collins aged forty-five years, died at her home on 11th., St., the 24th, after a long and painfull illness. Miss Sarah Buchner of Kennedy, was in the city last week. Mrs. I B. Johnson is able to be out. Major Brown is here on a furlough. Miss Anna Dugen is here visiting.

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Palestine, Texas, Special.

John W. Simmons joined the Richards & Pringles Minstrels, to fill the important note as saxophone soloist. A big revival is going on at the Sam Jones tent, some of our colored brothers and sisters have forgotten the way to their own churches. Dan Avery, Jas. Crosby, Harry Fidler and Bob Kemp scored big hits Thursday night. The girls say if the Georgias ever comes here again and J. Ed. Green don't sing "Sweetheart Irene," there'll be an "Ed. Green missin, sho." The show was jam up. The city schools opened Monday Oct., 3rd, with the usual heavy attendance. Prof. N. A. Banks, of Waco, principal of school No 1. Prof. J. M. McMeans No, 2 and Prof. W. T. Swanson, No 3. Five assistant teachers all laides of the city. The State and County election is near at hand and the boys are all wide awake. Prof. D. D. Evans of Cameron is at home and all smiles.

Dyersburg Notes.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.

Helen Donnel is improving after two weeks suffering with the fever. Rev. G. W. Wynn preached an able sermon at the C. P. church last Sunday night. The city officials have passed a law for every body to be off the streets at 9 p. m., on account of the yellow fever. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs, George Barnett, died Oct., 8th. Emma Alexander is convalesing. Dotha Williams has returned to her home in Milan, Tenn.

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B. SQUARE'S BLUSTER

MIDNIGHT REFLECTIONS.

"'Tis midnight's holy hour,
And silence now is brooding,
Like a gentle spirit
O'er the still and pulseless world."

In plain United States' prose, it is half-past twelve o'clock at night and everybody except newspaper men, gin-mill keepers, new policemen, doctors, and "boys" out for the night are a sleep. As I am a "spaceman" on two or three of the great newspapers of Greater New York, and have to-night a good "write-up"—a good thing which I intended to push along to the tune of $15.00, I am on my way to New York, still I have time to pen a few "reflections" for the "Bluster" column of the Freeman, so here goes:

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The Freeman is the literary club-room, the social hall in which we colored penmen, doctors, lawyers, authors, mind-moulders, "free-thinkers," school teachers, "Noah Baxters," ministers and "small-fry" statesmen meet. It gives me great pleasure, therefore, to meet my old friend "Doc." Majors in the columns of the Freeman once more. Old "chappie" here's my hand (or at least my pen,) glad to hear you are still with us in the flesh. Don't take any of your home-made pills and you will for years meet us at the Freeman's table and by-the-way don't give me any more of your bitter sugar-coated pills like the one found in the Freeman of Sept. 10th. In the Freeman of Sept. 10, I find the following from the gold pen of my dear friend, M. H. Majors, M. D. (Bear in mind Doc. I am not mad or angry :)

"Our pen ain't broke an' our ink ain't done dried up (in Baxterian parlance.) We are yet on the top side of mother earth, listening to the eagle scream, waiting for B. Square to call the roll or say ''Twas not to be.' Our public school systems are being arranged so that the children may be trained to call my friend Hodges 'The American Dumas.' By a careful perusal and long-strained analysis of ''Twas not to be,' the weather man at Chicago has calculated a shorter, cooler summer than Illinois has enjoyed for many a day. There are many reasons why the story should have been written. It was long, large and carefully handled. As its condition portrayed no accident befell it and no complaint for leakage. It demonstrated some real good features in Negro character and proves that the Negro is getting more backbone, more sand and a fair space for long windedness."

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When I read the first part of the above it went down like a sugar-coated pill; when I struck the part about the Chicago weather man, etc., it tasted like a bitter pill. Now see here, Majors! but I guess I can stand a left-handed compliment but, in the language of Uncle Noah Baxter "don't do it no more," see? Drop me a personal letter doctor and all will be forgiven.

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By-the-way! gentle or savage reader, are you a member of the Invincible Sons and Daughters of Commerce? If not why not? It is the race's only hope—the only stepping-stone to equal rights, the only key to the "Negro Problem." If you are not a member, read our notice in this paper, or if you can't find the same, write to me for information. Get in the swim.

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"The melancholy days have come,
The saddest of the year,
We can not take our whisky hot—
'Tis just too cool for beer."

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Will the Albany, N. Y., correspondent of the Colored American, of Washington, D. C., kindly answer my letter or return the two-cent stamp therein enclosed, Brother B.—— "Be Square."

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We are about to re-open the "Children's Column" of the Freeman. Will every reader of this "Bluster," who has a child under fourteen, tell that child to write me a letter at once directing the same to A. M. Hodges 172 Sumpter-st., Brooklyn, N. Y. Some of the children remember Uncle B. Square's children's column well, the new one will be twice as interesting as the one of a few years ago.

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The war which has just closed has produced many true heroes and not a few false cowards, frauds, cheats, liars, and imposters, and I am sorry to say all the frauds are not white men. Ever since the beginning of the war, the streets of Greater New York have been full of men in the garb of soldiers, broad brim brown hats, dark blue coats, light blue pants and brown leggings. Since the close of the war the streets have been full of battle scared heroes, many of whom are raw recruits or plain frauds.

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It is all very well to follow the saying "When you get a good thing, push it a long," still there is danger in propelling the said good thing to fast and therey running it in the ground, or off the track. This is what a colored soldier did in Brooklyn a few weeks ago. The facts in the case are as follows: Everybody in Greater New York, at least every young woman, is a hero worshiper. When our State soldiers came home they were wined, dined and honored befitting heroes, but alas! one of the few, oh very few, few reasonable objections the Negro can find about living in the Empire State is it has no colored national guards, so the brown-skin maiden whose love for her country burned as brightly in her heart as did that of her fairer sister, found no black hew in whose pathway she could scatter roses, At last one came. He was beyond all reasonable doubt a colored man; he was beyond doubt a soldier, for he wore the uniform of a soldier; he was beyond the doubt of the Afro-American maidens a war hero because—well, he said so. The hour came and the next train brought the man. "The hour has come the man is here," exclaimed the pretty colored girls of Brooklyn, as they vied with each other trying to honor the hero but also, for a fact, alas for fiction, the hero was not a hero, but a black fraud.

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It was the first week in September that I called upon a beautiful brown-skin belle of Brooklyn, one of the truly Four Hundreds—you will kindly bear in mind that I am a widower, only forty odd, and found her all joy and smiles. "I am so glad you have called as I wanted you to meet him," she exclaimed as she greeted me at her parlor door. "Who the Spain is he?" I ask myself with a deep seated fear. "Myself" could not answer, so I let the sweet young miss continue. "He's just gone out for a walk, and will be back in a minute. please write him up, for my sake, for one of the New York or Brooklyn papers." "Who is he, may I ask?" "Why one of our colored heroes from the war, one of the soldiers of the famous Tenth cavalry. Oh! here he comes now, I am so glad."

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I looked up and saw at the gate what had all the ear-marks of one of our noble black boys in blue, limping in upon his cane. In a few minutes we were introduced by the lady. I fired question after question at him and for a long time he was somewhat inclined to reticence, simply saying "yes" and "no." After a while the ladies withdrew and the host brought out two bottles of talking water. When the glasses had been passed around more than twice I won the soldier's confidence and he told me the heroic story. He told how he was with the fighting Tenth before Santiago, how it rained shot and shell, how his comrades fell from his side, how he rushed forward, etc., all of which I took down in short-hand on my cuffs. I did not have any pad with me. I took off my hat so to speak to this black hero and begged him to call at my den the following night and let me "write him up" for several newspapers, including The Freeman. I gave him my card. He looked somewhat frightened so as he asked. "Is you a reporter or newspaper man?" "I am," was the reply. "Well I don't want you to put me in the papers, 'cause the cap' en don't low it." My suspicions were at once aroused. He left the house soon afterwards, saying he had an engagement with a lady which was in a degree true, as my friend told that he returned with the lady, a male companion and his lady at the wee small hour of three in the morning when his host's family were supposed to be a sleep, scaled the back fence opened the door and admitted his friends. About an hour later his host aroused looked out of the back window and saw a light down stairs, went to investigate and heard and saw enough to convince him that his guest was a fraud clad in second-hand soldier clothes who had never been nearer the seat of war than the Coney Island race track. The hero was of course at once ejected from my friend's roof and there is one less hero worshiping young miss in Brooklyn. The imposter had a good thing but he pushed it too far.

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Mr. C. H. J. Taylor says in the Atlanta Appeal "We want Negro Democrats from principle not for revenue." Well, you want too deuced much.—New York Age.

I rise to second the Age man's motion my reason for so doing is that having spent a few moons in the Democratic stable, he speaks from experience. Bro. Fortune does not believe in "fodder or no fodder stand up to the rack." It takes a—well, ex-Negro Democrat to catch a Negro Democrat. When great political leaders fall out honest black voters will get their due. Let us be honest.

B. SQUARE.

LOW RATES TO OMAHA.

Every day via Pennsylvania Lines for Trans-Mississippi Exposition. Excursion tickets to Omaha are on sale daily at principal ticket offices of the Pennsylvania Lines and may be obtained up to October 15th, inclusive. The return limit includes November 15th. For special information about the low fare and quick through time over this route, apply to nearest Ticket Agent of the Pennsylvania Lines or address F. VAN DUSEN, A. G. P. Agt., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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"Friend Knox:—Having seen a copy of your paper lately issued I must say as I read it I really felt proud that so newsy and interesting journal was being edited by one of my own color. To show my appreciation and spirit to aid such a worthy enterprise you may place me on your list of subscribers for one year, commencing from date, on receipt of this letter."

Yours resp'y, Bob Cole.
137 W. 53rd St., New York, N. Y.

THE SERFS OF RUSSIA.

Flogging Them Was One of the Duties of the Police.

Father will not be appeased, says Prince Kropotkin in The Atlantic. He calls in Makar, the piano tuner and subbutler, and reminds him of all his recent sins. He was drunk last week and must have been drunk yesterday, for he broke half a dozen plates. In fact, the breaking of these plates was the real cause of all the disturbance. Stepmother had reported the fact to father in the morning, and that was why Uliana was received with more scolding than was usually the case, why the verification of the hay was undertaken and why father continued to shout that "this progeny of Ham" deserved all the punishments on earth.

All of a sudden there is a lull in the storm. My father has taken his seat at the table and writes a note to the police station. "Take Makar with this note to the police station, and let 100 lashes with the birch rod be given to him."

Terror and absolute muteness reign in the house.

The clock strikes 4, and we all go down to dinner, but no one has any appetite, and the soup remains in the plates untouched. We are ten at table, and behind each one of us a violinist or a trombone player stands, with a clean plate in his left hand, but Makar is not among them.

"Where is Makar?" stepmother asks. "Call him in."

Makar does not appear, and the order is repeated. He enters at last, pale, with a distorted face, ashamed, his eyes cast down. Father looks into his plate, while stepmother, seeing that no one has touched the soup, tries to encourage us.

"Don't you find, children," she says, "that the soup is delicious?"

Tears suffocate me, and immediately after dinner is over I run out, catch Makar in a dark passage and try to kiss his hand, but he tears it away and says, either as a reproach or as a question, "Let me alone. And you, too, when you are grown up, will be just the same?"

"No, no; never!"

Yet father was not of the worst of landowners. On the contrary, the servants and the peasants considered him to be one of the best. What we saw in our house was going on everywhere, often in much more cruel forms. The flogging of the serfs was a regular part of the duties of the police.

LONG DISTANCE FIGHTING.

Impossible to Tell Infantry From Cavalry at Two Thousand Yards.

"Unless they have had experience," remarked an army officer, "people are very likely to have a very imperfect idea as to distances in army and field operations and as a result get things considerably mixed. When they read that armies are engaging with each other at 2,000 yards between them, they may think that they can see each other, but the reality is far different.

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"Infantry can be seen in the sunlight much easier than the cavalry or artillery, for the reason that less dust is raised. Besides that, infantry can be distinguished by the glitter of their muskets. At 2,000 yards, however, everything is unsatisfactory, even with the aid of field glasses, for a marching column in dry weather raises a great deal of dust."—Washington Star.

A True Caballero.

Well in the middle of the grounds stands General Anderson's headquarters. As we went up the steps a tall man, rather shabbily dressed, preceded us. We noticed his military bearing and were told that he was the captain of one of the Spanish men-of-war which lies with projecting spars at the bottom of Cavite harbor. Following his footsteps, we of necessity overheard what he said to the general's aid:

"Senor, I borrowed, some time ago, $200 from Admiral Dewey to pay off my men. I have come to repay the debt."

He turned his profile toward us, and we noticed how thin he looked. He must have starved himself to collect the money. With a very straight back, he counted out the Spanish bills and turned to go.

"Will you not take a receipt?" asked the aid of General Anderson.

"Never from an officer," answered the gray haired old gentleman, with a courtly old fashioned bow.

Here at least is a true Spanish caballero.—Harper's Weekly.

A Gorgeous King.

Luinaka, the king of Barotse Land, says a traveler, is held in great fear and respect by his people. His court has as much etiquette and ceremonial as that of Louis XIV. His band of musicians make both day and night hideous with their performances. The music is done to drive away evil spirits. Luinaka himself is an imposing spectacle.

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FLAWS IN BIG GUNS.

INTERNAL DAMAGE CAUSED BY SUCCESSIVE DISCHARGES.

The "Erosive Action of Inflamed Gases" Causes the First Serious Injury—How the Projectile Helps to Kill the Gun.

The larger a cannon the more extensive are the injuries it receives with each successive discharge. All damage done to a gun is internal. The separate action of the powder and the projectile damages the piece every time it is aimed and fired. Obviously the amount of the damage depends upon the material and workmanship of the gun. Men who make big guns describe the harm done their pets with many intricate and puzzling terms of a scientific turn. In one case a gun is damaged because the part of the bore which contains the powder is enlarged. This happens when the metal is compressed, and it is more dangerous and more plainly seen if the gunners have been using wads between their explosive and their projectile.

Then, again, cavities are produced by the melting away of a part of the metal by the heat of combustion of the charge. Cracks come from the tearing asunder of the particles of the metal at the surface of the bore. When it is first made, a crack of this particular kind is barely perceptible, but it increases each time the gun is fired. Gradually it extends completely through the side of the piece. The crack usually begins at the junction of the chamber with the bore, simply because, as guns now are, this part is not so well supported as the others.

Edward S. Farrow, U. S. A., is authority on damage to guns, although, like all others who have studied the question, he does not agree with very many authorities on all the points to consider in the life of a cannon. He contends that furrowing or scoring produced by the erosive action of inflamed gases is the great disease which attacks the very big guns first. This particular injury is most apparent where the current of the gas is most rapid or at the interior orifice of the vent and on the surface of the bore, directly over the seat of the projectile. This scoring begins very early in the life of a very large gun, but it is conceded that it does not become very important until the piece has been discharged considerably. Lieutenant Farrow describes this scoring as resembling the bark of an aged elm tree, the metal being eaten away into irregular furrows and ridges. In extreme cases, however, scoring has not killed the gun, although in some cases it has acted like a wedge and split the bore at the place attacked.

Where the action of the projectile has ruined the gun the damage has been done around the projectile and in front of it. The elasticity of the metal and the crowding up of portions of it in front of the shot cause a rebounding process. The projectile, carried forward by the force of the charge, strikes against the upper part of the bore; then it is sent against the bottom and again bounds to the top, and so on until it emerges from the piece. The effect of this bounding motion is to raise and depress the gun in its trunnion holes. The accuracy of fire is diminished, and, of course, the gun is unfit for service. Bronze guns are the worst sufferers in this way. Mortars—short and dumpy—are not affected.

To stop the bounding of the projectile gunners wrap the shell in cloth or paper or else shift the base of the mass to be hurled. This last process is considered the best and is done by reducing the diameter of the cartridge and adding to its length. Projectile injury is also caused by furrows or scratches made by rough shells or case shot. Small fragments, too, break away very often from the shells and give the bore a grinding and cutting process, productive of great damage.

Enlargement of the muzzle is another serious injury produced by the projectile. This is caused by a process which seems unavoidable. As the shell leaves the piece it strikes against one portion of the bore. The resistance at the mouth being less than at any other point, the metal naturally yields, and the muzzle of the cannon is elongated in a vertical direction.

Some men who ought to know say that 150 shots is the life of a very big gun—a 12 or 13 inch weapon. Others place the number of shots at 400 or 500. As a matter of fact, it is all guesswork. The great Krupp gun shown at the World's fair and conceded to be perfect—or supposed to be so—has been discharged less than ten times, and it is now believed to have reached its limit. On the other hand, the big guns of the American battleships have passed the time allotted them by wise men who know guns and apparently are as good as when tested. How soon they may yield, however, is not in the books.

Lieutenant Farrow says that a very large gun should not be expected to stand more than 400 or 500 shots before it will be necessary to open a new vent, closing the old one at its interior orifice. When the gun dies—bursts—the lines of fracture are photographed. Specimens of the metal are saved. Tests are made and conclusions drawn. And Uncle Sam has figured out so many things in this same connection that his guns nowadays are conceded to be better than those of any other maker. They live longer than the wise ones say they should.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Everybody Warned.

An Arizona rancher has posted the following notice on a cottonwood tree near his place: "My wife Sarrah has left my ranch when I didn't Doo a Thing Too her and I want it distinkly understood that any Man as takes her in and Keers for her on my account will get himself Pumped so Full of Led that some tenderfoot will locate him for a mineral claim. A word to the wise is sufficient and orter work on fools."—Denver Times.

VENOMOUS SNAKES.

The Poison Machinery of the Reptiles and How It Is Operated.

Some years ago a physician undertook a series of experiments on snakes with a view to extracting a sufficient amount of their venom to form a basis for investigation, in order, if possible, to discover some antidote. His laboratory is a curious and somewhat uncanny place and one from which those with unsteady nerves instinctively recoil.

The apparatus for extracting the venom is a most ingenious and yet a very simply one. A bit of chamois is tied over the top of a funnel which leads to a bottle. Everything is secured very firmly. The snake is caught by the back of the neck and placed close to this chamois. He strikes his fangs through it, when tiny jets of venom are thrown from the fangs upon the glass sides of the bottle, trickling thence into the bottle. Again and again the snake is made to strike. If necessary, other snakes of the same species are used until a sufficient amount of the venom is collected.

The relative deadly qualities of the venom of snakes have also been the subject of experiments. It appears that the diamond back rattlesnake is the most to be dreaded. The next in order is the banded rattlesnake, followed by the copperhead and the water moccasin or cottonmouth.

The poison machinery of the snake consists of a pair of needle pointed fangs, which, when the creature is at rest, are folded back in the roof of the mouth. When it becomes angry, these fangs are thrown forward, and in the act of striking a tiny jet of poison is thrown from each. The poison is a thin, yellow fluid which upon exposure decomposes very rapidly. Snake poison, if kept from the air or dried, retains its full force for many years.—New York Ledger.

INDEMNITY AGAINST LOSS.

Some Ancient Instances of Insurance Can Be Easily Found.

Probably the first recorded instance of insurance was one mentioned by Livy. During the second Punic war the contractors for delivering corn into Spain stipulated that the government should indemnify them against loss by the enemy or tempest. Cicero, too, after his victory in Cilicia, seems to have obtained security against the loss of his booty during its transit to Rome. These instances, however, are not regarded as true cases of insurance by many authorities, who assert that only after the revival of commerce in the tenth century did it come into vogue. If this be so, the first mention of insurance is the establishment in 1310 at Bruges at the request of the inhabitants of a chamber of assurance

"The contract of reciprocal insurance was known likewise in Portugal in the fourteenth century, and in the fifteenth (Sept. 10, 1436) King Edward of Portugal writes from Lisbon that the merchant vessels of the English, which had been chartered for the Tangier expedition, had not been insured, owing to the fault of their proprietors, while those of the Portuguese, even of the royal navy, were." It is probable, however, that insurance came into use in Italy early in the twelfth century and was by the Lombards transplanted into those countries with which they had commercial dealings. To them, therefore, the invention of insurance, as it is now understood, is generally conceded.—Exchange.

Testing Cornstalk Pith.

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In the Museum.

"How many dollars a week does the fat lady get?" inquired the tattooed man.

"H'm!" sniffed the snake charmer. "She's English, you know, and gets paid by the pound."

"Is that so?" put in the living skeleton. "Thank goodness, I'm not English. I'd stand a slim chance."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Her View of Evolution.

When the late Professor Henry Drummond was giving a course of lectures on "Evolution" in the Lowell institute, he overheard two women, evidently much opposed to his views, discussing them. One of them said, "Mary, if what he says is not true, we can stand it, but if it is true we must hush it up."

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D. A. Straker, Detroit, Mich.

I very much admire the position you have taken as regards the duty of the Negroes of this country in the present Spanish-American war. I mail you a copy of the leading daily of this city, which contains an article on this matter, the first mention or reference that has appeared in it since the war began. I wanted to see the Negro go on record in this daily. Yours

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TOWN TALK.

Hear Rev. Murray at Simpson Chapel Oct. 20th.

Miss Ella M. Youree, is visiting in St. Louis, Mo.

J. T. Timberlake after an absence of three years has returned.

Mrs. C. P. Smith, of Montana, is visiting Mrs. J. Thomas.

E. L. Hicks has returned to Boston after a pleasant visit in the city.

Geo. Gray and G. L. Jones attended the B. M. C. at St. Louis, Mo. last week.

Clark's cafe at 419 Indiana avenue, gives the best service in city. Give him a call.

Mr. and Mrs. Steadman Smith entertained a few friends last Sunday evening.

Mrs. W. D. Lucas, of Paducah, Ky., is visiting Mrs. Elmira Hart in Jefferson Avenue.

Mrs. Susie Harris, has gone to Kalamazoo, Mich., where she will visit relatives and friends.

Miss Myrtle Wallace and Dr. Robert Harper were the guest of Mrs. White in Decatur, Ill., Sunday.

Miss Gertrude Garnett and S. Allen Scott have rejoined the staff of The Freeman composing room.

Mrs. Austin Craft, has returned to her home in Knoxville, Tenn., after a pleasans visit with friends here.

Rev. and Mrs. Patterson, of the South Side were given a pleasant surprise party on the 6th, by the R. W. B. Club.

"Heroism of the Negro in the Spanish-American War" will be the subject of Rev. A. L. Murray's discourse Oct. 20, at Simpson Chapel.

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Major Taylor, the champion bicycle rider of the world is visiting friends and relatives in the city. He will do light training at the Neuby Oval.

The "Soldiers Aid Club" are receiving new members and the treasury is slowly but steadily increasing. Meeting next Monday afternoon at Mrs. Goens, 543 W. 12th st. at 3.00 o'clock.

L. L. Lee a thriving undertaker and a prominent citizen of Atlanta, Ga., enroute from attending the B. M. C. at St. Louis, to Philadelphia, was the guest of Detective Thornton several days this week. In Company with the Hon. G. L. Jones, Mr. Lee was a pleasant visitor at The Freeman sanctum.

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The Dewey Club Rally, Thursday, October, 20th, 1898 at Simpson Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church,

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REV. A. L. MURRAY.

will relate his experience in the battle of Santiago. Others of the U. S. Regulars will be present. Some of the best local talent will participate on the program. Refreshments served. Admission free. Dr. B. J. Morgan, pres.; A. C. Bybee, sec'y.: Seymore Miller, treas.

Simpson Chapel Notes.

Our Clubs are hard at work for the rally on Nov., 27th.

The Dewey Club's rally will be Oct. 20th, Rev. A. L. Murry B. D., will deliver an address. Subject, The "Heroism of the Negro."

The pastor preached two able sermons Sunday to the satisfaction of the congregation. Morning Theme, Loyalty. Evening Theme, The Present Crisis.

The following persons united with the church; Mary Hickman, Lonella Grunell and James Jones.

Ada Stevenson and the Pastor were elected delegates to the District League which met at Rushville Oct., 13th.

The League which meets on Thursday evening is growing in interest and attendance, the public is invited to these meetings.

The pastor will preach Sunday morning and evening from the following subjects: "The World's Light, and Turning to God."

"Swamp Angel on the Wing"

It was Sam Jones who, when addressing an immense audience in the State of Kansas, said: "If there is one man in this vast crowd who never spoke a hash word to his wife let him hold up his hand."

Replying to his proposition, fifteen men, who would have it appear that they were too good to remain on earth shot their hands into the air A smile akin to that of the cannibal just before devouring a well-developed missionary, was seen to light up the countenance of the great evangelist as he said:

"Amen! Thank God! Now, gentlemen, will you please step to the front of the altar."

Of course it was with hearts swelling with a pride of conquering heroes that the "fifteen" majestically approached the sacred desk as thousands of good women looked upon them with a longing that refused to be quenched, all the time praying that their husbands might reform and be as good as they, when, after being lined up in front of the man of God, again Sam solemnly said:

"Gentlemen will you please turn around and face the audience."

This request being complied with the great Georgia preacher, with the sternness of Bismark, said—

"Ladies and gentlemen let me introduce to you fifteen of the biggest liars in the state of Kansas!"

At this startling declaration the fifteen saints wilted like cabbage leaves before a July sun: the good ladies screamed at the utterance; the audience became uproarous and amid great confusion the doxology was sung and the crowd dispersed

Indiana Boys In Blue

Now In The Sunny South Holding Forth With The Eight Kentucky At Chickamugua.—Interesting Not s.

Camp Thomas, ChicKamauga, Ga., Special.

We broke camp at Ft. Thomas, last Friday at noon and, after a two night and days ride, pitched tents on the famous old battle ground, Chickamagua Park, where so many lost their lives during the Civil war.

The boys will miss seeing their friends on Sunday, now.

Lieut. Bess sat up all night, Sunday, writing letters to inform his many friends that his address was changed to Camp Thomas, Chickamagua Park.

Lieut. Thomas, Edlin and Powell, have formed a mutual aid society for self protection against the mosquitoes here, as they seem to have a special grudge against these officers.

Sergts. Powell, Rodgers and Windy Johnson have arranged with the War Dep't. to let them gather relics from this historic battle ground and send to their many friends in Indianapolis.

Corporals Wooten and Barnett are arranging to start a sunday school in camp if they can get a sufficient number interested in the work.

Captains, Buckner and Porter are bringing their companies up to a high standard in drilling and are commended on all sides about the fine soldierly bearing and appearance of their men.

Mrs. Docia Ringgold and Margarite paid Corporal Ringgold a visit at Ft. Thomas Ky, before they left for Chickamagua.

It is whispered among the boys that the Buffaloes are arranging a Thanksgiving treat for the members of that order here in camp. Buffalo Ringgold says, if its true, all he wants is "Tanzy" etc.

The Eighth U. S. V. and the two Companies from Indiana are the only ones here now and we will remain for a while to do garrison duty before our departure for Cuba.

Knoxville Items.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special.

Rev. F. R. White preached his farewell sermon at Logan Temple last Sunday to a large audience. The Blue Ridge A. M. E. Z., Conference will convene at Bingdon, Va., with Bishop C. R. Harris, presiding. Rev. H. Smith, preached his farewell sermon at Oaklin a large congregation was present. Mrs. Austin Craft has returned from a delightful visit to friends in Indianapolis and Louisville. James Bettis after visiting his parents and friends in this city has returned to Louisville, Ky. John Gregory one of our boys went also, W. L. Zimmerman agent of The Freeman is quite ill with fever, it is hoped that he will be out soon.

News in General.

Franklin, Tenn., Special.

The 2nd was a great day here with the Independent Order of Immaculates, who dedicated their new hall The lodge here has built a new hall at a cost of about one thousand dollars. The ceremonies were conducted by the State Grand Lodge Officers, in the presence of about 800 people. Public School has begun. This promises to be a very successful year. Carrie Otey a student of Wilberforce is one of our teachers this year. The teachers all take The Freeman either by subscription or from the local agent here. The paper finds a hearty welcome here. I think every Negro ought to be a subscriber to so valuable a race journal as it has proven. B. J. Merrit, S. G. M., I. O. I., was here last week paying his annual visit to the Lodges and Courts. Dr. A. T. Braxton of Columbia, Tenn., was present at the dedication of the new hall. Several of our young men left last week to join the regular army. They go to Fort Douglass, Utah, to recruit the 24th Infantry.

$1.00—CINCINNATI AND RETURN—$1.00.

Via. the Big Four Route, Sunday, Oct. 16th. Special train will leave Indianapolis at 7.30 a. m. stopping only at Shelbyville and Greensburg, and returning, leave Cincinnati at 7.00 p. m.

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Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Jasper Lee died at his home No., 14 Dixon St., on the 26th, ult. John Brinkley is convalescent. Dr. Flagg delivered an eloquent discourse last Sunday morning at Avery. His subject was "Regeneration and Adoption. A Sunday School Union has been established in this City, about twenty S. S. Superintendents met in Convention at Collins Chapel Tuesday eve. Mrs. C. M. Holbrook was entertained Wednesday evening by Annie and Katie Merriweather. Every Secret Society in the city particisated in the Odd Fellows corner stone laying last Sunday, the 25th., ult. Maud Robinson has recovered from malaria. The Misses Rivers have returned from Miss. Mesdames H. H. Mosely and J. Reeves are on the sick list. Eliza Lewis has recovered from the fever. St. Mary's Court, Heroines of Jericho, installed the following officers last week: Mrs. Alex Webb, M. A. M.; G. W. Daniels, F. J.; Mary Outland, Treas.; Mrs. W. J. Dawson, Sect; Directors, Alex Webb, H. H. Mosely, O. S. Lewis. Mrs. Jas. B. McDonald has returned from Huntsville, Ala. A grand musical reception was given in honor of Lillie Price, at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. R. Love. Miss Price was formerly of Memphis but is now of Chicago, her parents having moved there several years ago to live. In her early childhood she showed an ardent love for music. After settleing in Chicago her parents gave her the advantage of a complete musical education. After completing her course there she was called to teach music in the leading college at Friar's Pt., for which place she is now enroute. Hearing of her visit to her old home, the Y. M. A. Band of which her farther was an active member, decided to entertain h ehich they did in grand style. How well she deserved the honor paid her, all who heard her dignified response to the toast of welcome will attest. After the band played several pieces, the guest gathered in the parlor, where the following program was rendered, after which refreshments were served, when the band played "Home Sweet Home." Lillie Price received the heartiest congratulations of all present. Introduction remarks, Wm. Hunt; Bridal Rose Overture, Lillie Price, Mr. and Mrs. Love; Instrumental Solo, Concerts Beethoven, Lillie Price; Vocal Duet, Misses Robinson; Flute Solo, Olk Folks at Home, Mrs. Jno R. Love; Remarks C. R, Bowles; Solo, Mr. Redmond; Instrumental Solo, La Polka de La Reine Lillie Price.

Picked up in Passing.

Meridian Miss., Special.

Mrs. Lillie Bassett, son and little niece, of Demopolis, were in the city recently. Rev. Daniel Shormake, who has been at his church in the country for several weeks returned home on the first. Rev. W. H. Parks, of Scooba filled the pulpit at New Hope, Sunday the 2nd. Mrs. Anna Henderson died and was buried from the 30th Ave. Baptist church, the 2nd. Mrs. Henderson was 38 years of age. She leaves two small children and a husband and many other relatives, besides a host of friends to mourn her death. About sixty teachers were examined on the 30th. ult. The St. James A. M. E. church will be an ornament to the west end when completed. The work is progressing nicely. Mr. Sam Crawford, jr. has the contract for the erection of a beautiful church edifice on 14th. st. and 14th. avenue. It will cost about $1,800. Rev. C. M. Newal will be the pastor of the church. It will be ready in a few days. Normal Stinnis of Pensacola, Fla., is in the city visiting his grandmother, Millie Knawe, on 10th. st. near 26th. avenue Mr. Geo. Carter was in the city on the 1st. Jobe Brackett has been quite sick. Ed. McElroy has been visiting his family recently, in the city. We learn that Mrs. L. L. Murray is improving at her home at Corinth. Mrs. Harry Strayhorn, who has been quite sick for some time is up again. Rev. C. L. Harris' little girl who has been quite sick is improving nicely.

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